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Berne, Apr. 23.

### Dutch Reply

### Other Replies

The Cabinet will hear Sir John Simon's budget proposals, concerning which there is some anxiety lest the income-tax be increased, and sugar, tobacco and tea are mentioned as possible fresh sources of revenue.—*Reuter.*

**LONDON, APR. 23.**

The general antipathy of the Yugo-Slav people to the Axis is also stressed.

## LONDON TALKS

Jenkinstown, Pennsylvania, Apr. 23.—Rear Admiral Richard Byrd has announced that he is preparing a third trip to the South Pole.

"The region to be explored cannot be revealed yet, and no plans have been made," he said.—United Press

**CHUNGKING, Apr. 23.**

capitalist enemies who again surrounded by the Chinese. and tightened their cordon on the Central News. Reuter.

BUENOS AIRES.

## Restoring Peace

# Franco's Victory Celebrations

## Germans Departing

MADRID, Apr. 23.  
It is understood that the Condor Legion of German volunteers will leave Spain en route to Germany at the end of May.—Domet.

# LATEST

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The units comprise the first battle squadrons, without the battleship *Ramallies*, the first cruiser squadron, without the cruiser *Sussex*, the aircraft-carrier *Glorious*, and three destroyer flotillas.—*Reuter*.

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## When Mrs. Chamberlain Gives A Party— MACHINE COUNTS GUESTS AT NO. 10

THE young mother of a baby of six months stood in No. 10, Downing-street recently and shook hands more than a thousand times with arriving and departing guests.

Near her stood a man in evening dress holding a tiny gleaming object which clicked unobtrusively as each guest entered.

The hostess was Mrs. Stephen Lloyd, the Premier's daughter; the man was Mr. Dunn, one of the King's Marshals, and the gleaming object was a comptometer which he was using to keep a record of the number of the guests.

Mrs. Stephen Lloyd was deputising for her mother-in-law in bed with an attack of influenza—at Mrs. Chamberlain's last political "At Home" of the season.

**EFFICIENCY**  
After shaking hands for nearly two hours, she sat down to rest—and for the first time noticed the comptometer.

She was surprised to see that its dial recorded the figure 617—and there were more guests to come.

The little instrument which recorded the arrival of famous M.P.s and their constituents—some of them women from humble homes—was another example of Mrs. Chamberlain's efficiency as a hostess.

She had ordered its use at receptions so that she might know exactly how many guests had arrived at any given moment.

This information is valuable in arranging for the service of tea and refreshments at the buffet—all of which is carried out by her own staff.

Mrs. Lloyd, in a simple short-sleeved, short-skirted frock of slate-blue angora, was cheerful as ever after two hours of handshaking.

"I don't feel tired though my hand is a little sore," she said.

She is on a short visit to London from her home in Birmingham.

Mr. Chamberlain, extraordinarily alert, stood beside her for more than an hour, shaking hands with the guests.

## WOMAN MEDIUM TO RETURN £400

SEANCES OF SPIRITUAL healing conducted by a widow, and the part played by a dead North American Indian were described in the King's Bench Division.

Mr. F. W. Chennells, of Brownings-road, Manor Park, Essex, and Miss Emmeline Dodd, of Leigh Hall-road, Leigh-on-Sea, as executors of the estate of Miss Marjorie Dodd, sued Mrs. M. A. Bruce, of Leighton-avenue, Leigh, for £400 alleged to have been obtained by fraud or undue influence.

The defence was that the money was a gift to Mrs. Bruce, who did not appear and was not represented.

### £1,500 DAMAGES

Mr. Noel Lindsay explained that after a road accident Miss Marjorie Dodd was unable to manage her affairs. She recovered £1,500 damages and died a year ago.

Mrs. Bruce was a widow who held herself out as a spiritualist medium and a person possessed of supernatural powers.

At the material time Miss Emmeline Dodd was a believer in spiritualism, and with the testatrix, attended seances conducted by Mrs. Bruce.

At one of these Mrs. Bruce, acting as a medium, represented that she was under the control of the departed spirit of a North American Indian of the name of Grey Feather, who was a benevolent spirit, and had provided Miss Marjorie Dodd with spiritualist healing and advice as the result of which she had recovered £1,500.

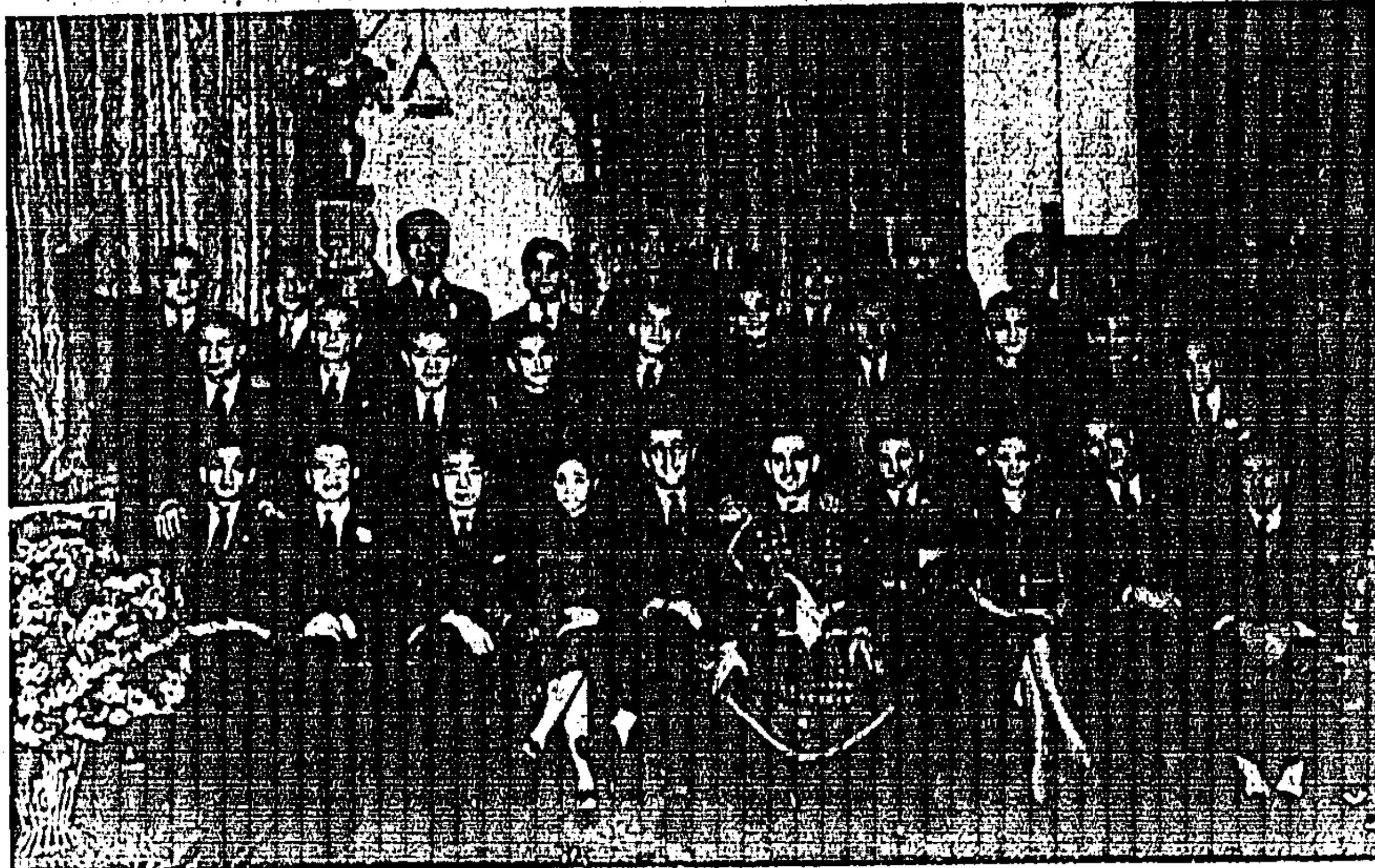
### TRIP TO AUSTRALIA

Grey Feather was also purported to have expressed a wish that Mrs. Bruce, as medium, should receive part of that sum as reward.

After other seances a cheque for £400 was drawn in favour of Mrs. Bruce, who went with it on a holiday to Australia.

Giving evidence, Miss Emmeline Dodd said she did not now believe in Spiritualism.

Saying he was prepared to hold there had been fraud, Mr. Justice Hallett entered judgment for the plaintiffs for £400, as money received by Mrs. Bruce to the use of the testatrix, and for interest at 3½ per cent.



Group photograph taken at a recent farewell party given by members of the staff of the Wiseman Cafe to Mr. D. A. Webb, retiring manager—Ming Yuen.

## Royal Armoured Corps Formed

Mr. Hore-Belisha, the War Minister, announced in the House of Commons recently that it had been decided to form a Royal Armoured Corps.

In this corps would be associated the 18 mechanised Regular cavalry regiments and the Regular and Territorial units of the Royal Tank Corps.

It would have precedence in the Army immediately before the Royal Regiment of Artillery. The cavalry regiments would retain their existing designations, and the Royal Tank Corps would be redesignated the Royal Tank Regiment.

The decision had been taken because all regiments of cavalry of the Line except the Royal Dragoons and the Royal Scots Greys had been, or were being, re-equipped with armoured vehicles.

### INCREASED EFFICIENCY

The formation of the new corps would enable similarly equipped units to be similarly trained and administered with increased military efficiency.

Mr. Hore-Belisha also stated that it was proposed to train a sufficient number of Army reservists to meet immediate requirements in the event of an emergency. This year 16,000 men would be trained.

Their calling up would place a certain inconvenience on industry, and the Government appealed to employers to assist by offering every facility.

It would be a scandal if any of these men lost their jobs while they were doing service for the country.

## Interference With British Trade In China

A NUMBER of questions were asked in the House of Commons recently relating to different instances of continued Japanese interference with legitimate British commercial interests in the Far East:—

Commander Marsden asked the Prime Minister whether the representations made by His Majesty's Government to the Japanese Government on 14th January, respecting the re-opening of the Yangtze River to commercial traffic, have had any effect?

Mr. Butler: The position remains unchanged, but we are continuing to press for the early restoration of normal trading conditions.

Commander Marsden asked the Prime Minister what has been the practical effect on trade with North China of the regulations imposed at the instance of the Japanese Government, under which, since 11th March, a high proportion of the export trade of North China is prohibited unless the foreign exchange proceeds are sold against Federal Reserve banknotes at 1s. 2d.; and what answer has been received from the Japanese Government to the protest of His Majesty's Government?

Mr. Butler: These regulations have resulted in the cessation of practically all the foreign trade of Tientsin, and so far as my Noble Friend is aware, of other North China ports as well. We are still awaiting the Japanese Government's reply.

Mr. R. Morgan asked the Prime Minister whether, with regard to the action of the Japanese Government in restricting exports from North China to those financed through

Japanese-controlled banks, he has yet taken a decision on the practicability of prohibiting the entry into British or Crown Colony ports of all exports from North China unless accompanied by a consular certificate that they have been financed through a British, American, or French bank?

Mr. Butler: The proposal to which my hon. Friend refers is being examined in common with the general question of the protection of British interests in China. I cannot say at present what decision will be reached.

Mr. Sturton asked the Prime Minister whether the representations of His Majesty's Government to the Japanese Government relating to the seizure and confiscation by the Japanese of the British-owned cotton mill at Chun-Tai, on the Soochow Creek, have yet secured the restoration of the mill to its lawful owner; and, if not, whether he will introduce legislation to authorise the impounding of securities in this country belonging to the Japanese Government to the value of British-owned property in China wrongfully seized by the Japanese authorities?

Mr. Butler: My Noble Friend is at present awaiting further information from His Majesty's Ambassador in China as to the present position in regard to the Chun Tai and other cotton mills occupied by Japanese at Shanghai.

## Man Vanished On Arctic Island After Wreck

HULL.  
AN extraordinary story of a "very tall" man who, after being seen walking on the beach of an uninhabited Arctic island, vanished and could not be found, was told at a Board of Trade inquiry here recently.

The inquiry concerned the loss of the Hull trawler San Sebastian, with the whole of her crew of 16, when she struck the rocks on September 29 last on the coast of an island near the Bear Island fishing grounds, south of Spitzbergen.

Reynolds Henry Broomhead, skipper of the Grimsby trawler Mildenhall, told the Court that he arrived on the scene after receiving wireless messages from the San Sebastian, but other ships had reached the scene before him.

He stayed with his mate, watching for any sign of life aboard the San Sebastian.

### FIVE SAW THE MAN

His mate looked towards the shore and saw a man walking along on the low-lying parts above the beach. Witness looked through his glasses. The man was very tall.

The Wreck Commissioner: "Could you see how this man was dressed?"  
—No, I could not, but I was under my observation and there were three of my crew for some time."

Wreck Commissioner: "There are no other inhabitants on the island but the two wireless operators at the radio station?"  
—No, and they never left the wireless station until after the search parties had got ashore and seen them. It is a puzzle to me."

Wreck Commissioner: "Are you sure you have made a mistake?"  
—No, I should be more comfortable in my mind if I thought there had been the possibility of a mistake, but there is no mistake."

Skipper James Myers, of the trawler Cape Duner, said he went to the scene and altogether five other trawlers got within sight of the wreck, but they could not get any boats launched as it would have been suicide for the men to have volunteered to go into them.

### "LIGHTS FAILING"

Later a party from his ship and also the skipper of another trawler and some of his crew managed to land. They found no sign of life on the island except the two wireless operators. They found five wooden huts empty.

Evidence of dramatic wireless messages from the San Sebastian when she struck was given.

One of the last messages was: "Lights are failing. Compasses unreliable. Do not attempt to come in."

## 14-In. Gun For Battleship

London.  
The effective range of the latest 14-inch armour-piercing shell, as measured by the perforation of any given thickness of armour material, exceeds that of the 15-inch shell in spite of the reduction in calibre. This statement was made by Major A. B. H. Clarke, joint managing director of Huddfields, Ltd., at their Annual General Meeting, and was, he said, an effective answer to the criticism against the adopting of the 14-inch gun for the first five battleships. Speaking of profits, Major Clarke said that the rate was fixed between the firm and the Government Department, so that all saving of cost passed automatically to the Government. On hardened shells and bombs alone the saving to the Government had amounted to over £300,000.

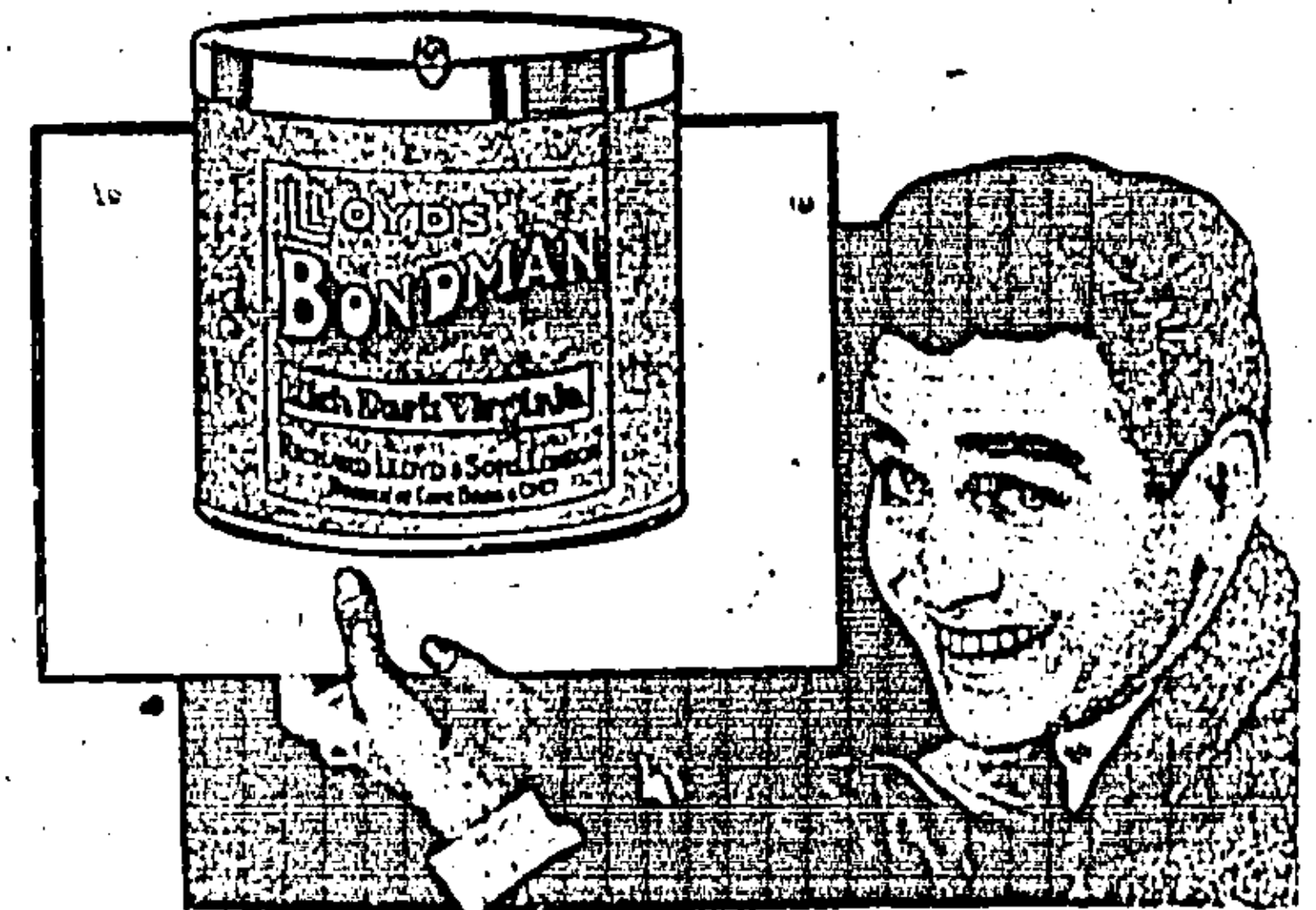
### PIG WEARS SPLINT

HINSDALE, Mass.  
A little piglet was given a respite from the slaughterhouse, even though it suffered a broken leg. Its owner, remembering Harry Freshler's success in selling his police dog's broken leg, took the piglet to him rather than to market. All dressed up with a splint, the pig's happy.

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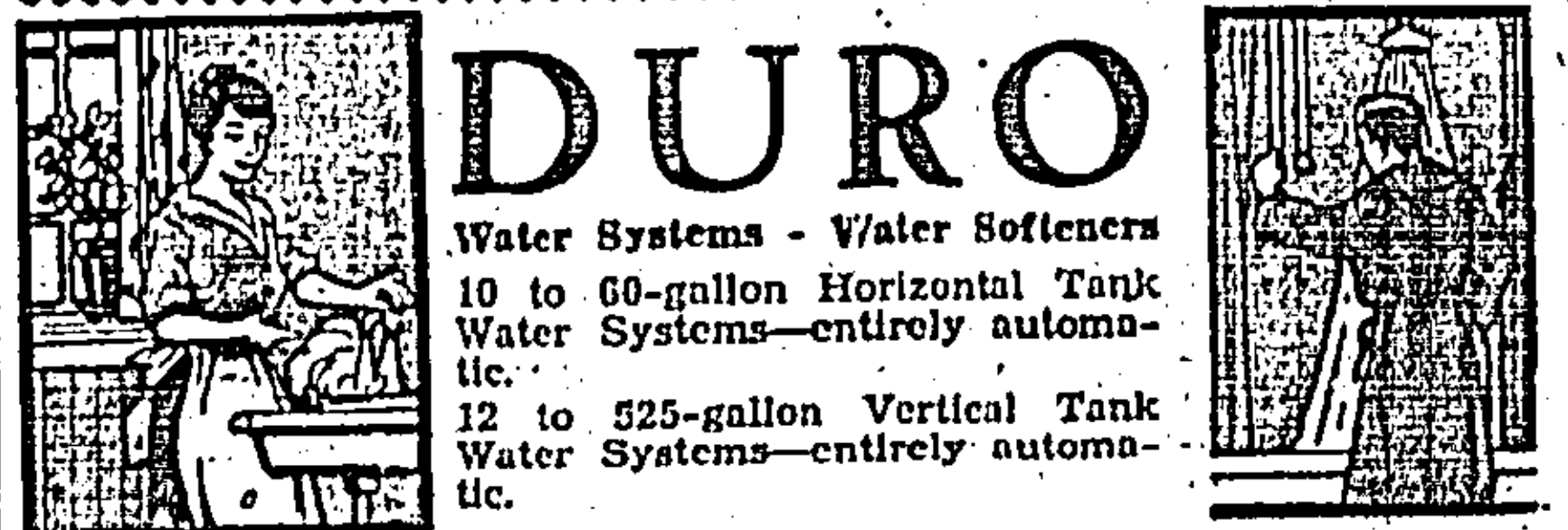
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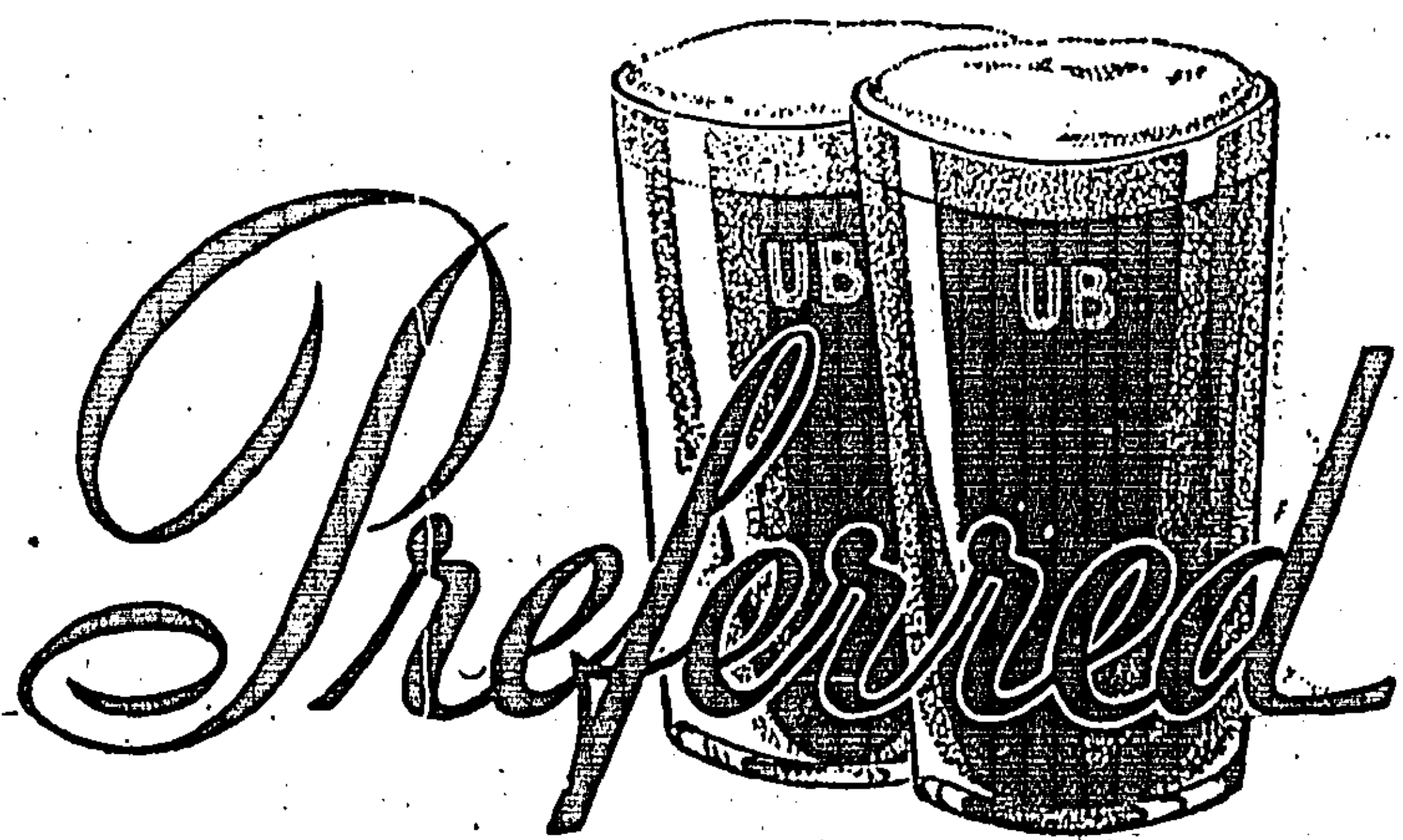


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# B.B.C. LEADS WORLD IN SHORT WAVES

## 8 Stations Work In 16 Languages

DAVENTRY.

UP on Borough Hill, overlooking this little Northamptonshire town, the B.B.C. are rapidly completing the biggest short-wave broadcasting centre in the world.

The dozens of aerials—already a forest of poles and wires—will by the end of the month have been increased to a total of 31 arrays, each array of aerial and reflectors pointing in the direction of the particular part of the world to which the B.B.C. want to send a beam of radio energy.

This impressive series of radio stations has arisen from the original empire short-wave transmitter which was opened in 1932. The extensions begun last year make it bigger even than Germany's huge radio propaganda centre at Zeesen, near Berlin.

The two special transmitters for foreign language broadcasts, to help pay for which the Government made a grant of £103,000, are now finished and in full operation.

## EIGHT TRANSMITTERS

This means that Daventry now has five 50-kilowatt short-wave transmitters and three lower-powered ones.

There is also a long-wave transmitter operated by the B.B.C. for the Air Ministry's meteorological service. Throughout the day five of these transmitters are in use broadcasting British programmes, news and views in seven different languages to all parts of the world on as many as 16 different wave-lengths.

The three others are used from time to time when it is necessary to give a greater coverage of any particular part of the world.

## GUARDED SECRETS

Daventry's nerve centre, technical secrets of which are closely guarded by the B.B.C., is in a new laboratory which has been constructed beneath the aerials.

Here under conditions of constant temperature and humidity are kept the most sensitive apparatus, including quartz crystals which maintain the station's wavelengths accurate to within one part in a million.

Provision is made for a total of 12 transmitters, but the B.B.C. are not likely to begin the construction of the four additional equipments for some time.

## They Want Shelters Before Town Hall

DEEP bomb-proof shelters are more important than a new town hall or street widening schemes in the opinion of a large number of Bedford's 50,000 inhabitants.

A petition to the Council is being organised and the town canvassed for signatures.

In several roads, it is reported, 90 per cent. of the residents have signed the petition, which states that ordinary town improvements should be suspended until the public has been provided with sufficient protection.

## ACCEPTANCE REFUSED

Leeds authorities are faced with a new A.R.P. problem—householders who refuse to accept delivery of the Anderson steel shelters. In Leeds 150 people have so far refused shelters, although they had to be officials that they wanted them.

Glasgow children carried a cardboard version of the Anderson shelter at a protest meeting recently held by housewives of the High Possil Corporation housing estate.

The Housing Committee has agreed to suspend erection of the shelters for the time being, but the High Possil residents want their shelters removed and damage to gardens repaired.

Southampton housewives appear to be taking kindly to the steel

shelters. An official said: "We have 1,050 shelters, about 400 of which have already been distributed."

Birmingham reports the number of complaints so far as "negligible."

## POWER OF BOMBS

The penetrative power of bombs is discussed in a memorandum appearing in the March issue of the "Journal of the Institution of Civil Engineers."

A 500lb. bomb might be expected to have a maximum depth of penetration of 2ft. 6in. in concrete of medium strength and a little over 20ft. in sand or gravel, it is stated.

The maximum vertical depth into the ground which could be reached by a 500lb. bomb is estimated as being unlikely to be more than 50ft.

60ft.

## FLIER INVENTS THRILL

CLEVELAND, O.

Mike Murphy, stunt flier in conceiving a new thrill for "Cater" Air Race fans. He is building a plane, named the "Check-to-Check," that will require two pilots. One will fly upside down part of the time.

## Baby Born In 60-m.p.h. Express

Neath.

As the Irish express night boat train was travelling at 60 m.p.h. through West Wales on its journey from Fishguard to London an 18-year-old Midland girl, travelling alone, gave birth to a baby boy.

Women passengers in the train hearing of the girl's condition went to her aid, and after calling the guard made an unsuccessful search for a doctor or a nurse.

The train stopped at Neath, Glamorgan. An ambulance was called, and the mother and child were hurried to hospital.

"Both came through the ordeal splendidly," a doctor at the hospital said.

## The Fleet's Films

By a film show on board the aircraft-carrier Ark Royal in Portsmouth harbour recently the Naval Film Corporation announced its existence to the Navy. The programme was made up of a new George Formby film and a new Disney cartoon—neither seen yet in London; it was certainly a fine omen of the treatment to be given to the Navy by the film industry under the new arrangement.

The Duke of Kent should have been there, but influenza not prevented him, but a film version of his speech had been made, and in this he very well explained the nature and purpose of this new organisation. It had been hard for the men on the smaller ships to see films on board even in the silent days; with the arrival of the talkies the price of equipment increased enormously and only those ships whose companies numbered a thousand had any opportunity of seeing a new film at all. But by the new corporation the Admiralty supplies the equipment to about 200 ships, and a ship's company—by a generous gesture on the part of the film-renters—can buy new films at the rate of 12d. per man per week for the lower deck and a proportionately higher rate for officers. The Navy, therefore, has now become one of the large exhibitors of the country.

The representatives of the film companies were on board to-night to receive their thanks, and the speeches of the (absent) Duke of Kent and of Lord Cork and Ormercy, the Commander-in-Chief, Portsmouth, left no doubt of the benefit and pleasure that the men would derive from this new arrangement.

## Hen Changes Sex

TAIPING.

TRUTH is stranger than fiction, and believe it or not, there is in the possession of a Taiping resident a hen which has turned into a cock.

The proud owner, Mr. Lim Kok Heng, intends to exhibit the bird at the Chinese charity fair at the Cornhill Park shortly.

Given to him a few months ago, the hen laid eggs, but after a few months Mr. Lim noticed a strange change coming over the bird. It stopped laying eggs and began to grow a prominent comb, until it looked like a cock and behaved like one.

The hen has now completely changed its sex.

## Snail Soup Praised

SNAIL soup is good for you, says Mrs. M. E. Bradhurst, of Riverhall, near Witham, Essex, a keen collector of fresh-water shells.

She says that during the war a naval captain and his men, captured by savages, lived for 19 weeks on snails.



Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Welch leaving the Union Church after their recent wedding. The bride was formerly Miss Dorothy Dransfield—King's Studio.

## Pinchin, Johnson & Co. Company's High State Of Efficiency

The annual general meeting of Pinchin, Johnson & Co., Ltd., was held recently at the Hotel Victoria, London, S. W.

Mr. Edward Robson (the chairman) who presided, said: "My lords, ladies and gentlemen, I now move that the report of the directors dated March 14, 1939, and the balance-sheet of Dec. 31, 1938, be received and adopted, and that a final dividend on the Ordinary shares for the year ending Dec. 31, 1938, of 5 p.c., less income-tax making, 12½ p.c. less tax, for the year, be declared and paid to the holders of the Ordinary shares on the register of the company at Mar. 18, 1939."

When I had the pleasure of addressing you a year ago, the prospects for a continuance of satisfactory trading were quite definite, and the effect of the recession in trade that had in many industries then become apparent. In fact, for the first five months of the year our sales throughout the organisation were generally well maintained. Subsequently, however, the recession began to make itself felt in our own business.

As you may imagine, the unfavourable conditions that developed were intensified by the serious international political disturbances that ensued in the early autumn. These joint factors affected not only the home industrial and trading position, but also reacted adversely in many of the overseas markets.

## RECOVERY FROM RECESSION

In November, however, a definite recovery set in, and, commencing with that month, sales not only substantially recovered, but in fact have shown an increase in each month to date this year over the corresponding period of the previous years. Unfortunately for the year 1938 the recovery started too late to make good the falling off in trading in previous months.

The decrease in profits is due entirely to the conditions to which I have referred, which have affected the home industrial and trading position, but also reacted adversely in many of the overseas markets.

Your directors have already referred in their report to the improvement of the position in Shanghai. In spite of the most difficult situation that has existed there for a long time past, it is gratifying to report that our China Company has been in possession of its factory for some months past, and it is pleasing to note that the company is now working at a profit.

For the past two years the industrial position in France has been unsatisfactory, and although profits have been earned by the French Company, no dividends have been received from this source.

There has been in recent months a very definite improvement in the

general situation there, and your directors feel that the position in that market is now on the upgrade.

## FOREIGN MARKETS

Through the French company we are interested in a trading unit in Barcelona. In spite of the most terrible conditions that have existed in Spain, the Spanish factory unit has continued operations throughout the period, and I am pleased to tell you that the factory is intact, and the business there has operated at a profit, although, of course, it has not been possible for the parent company to reap any benefit from this source. From my references for these three markets you will appreciate how difficult the position has been, but with the hope—which I trust will in the near future be fulfilled—of a more ordered state of affairs, I believe they will again prove as satisfactory a source of revenue as in years gone by.

In view of the recurrence of political tension in Europe in the past week or two you will hardly expect me to attempt to anticipate very definitely the future prospects. It will perhaps be sufficient for me to say that, assuming the world does not have to face again the political troubles of the past year, or similar troubles that have so many times been anticipated, then this business should continue its course of recovery and improvement.

## FUTURE OUTLOOK

In other words, if world conditions are reasonably satisfactory, our own business is bound to progress, and I think as a prudent man I should not be justified in anticipating the future course of events beyond this.

Our organisation, technically and industrially, is in a very high state of efficiency, and, given reasonably good world conditions, the future of our business should be in the direction of steady advancement.

Mr. C. G. Heywood (vice-chairman) seconded the resolution, which was carried unanimously.

The retiring directors were re-elected for the ensuing year, and the auditors were reappointed for 1939.

The Chairman thanked his co-directors and staff for their excellent work during the past year, and said that the conditions of 1938 had been more than usually difficult. It reflected great credit upon the management and staff that they had been able to accomplish such satisfactory results in spite of those conditions.

Mr. R. Polbridge replied, and the proceedings terminated after a hearty vote of thanks to the chairman, proposed by Mr. William C. Howard.

## STEELE NOW BOXING COACH

OLYMPIA, Wash. The world's former middleweight boxing champion, Freddie Steele, has become the boxing coach at St. Martin's college near here.

## Lovers Die In A Church

A COURTING couple were found dead recently in the furnace-room of the village church at Ripple, near here.

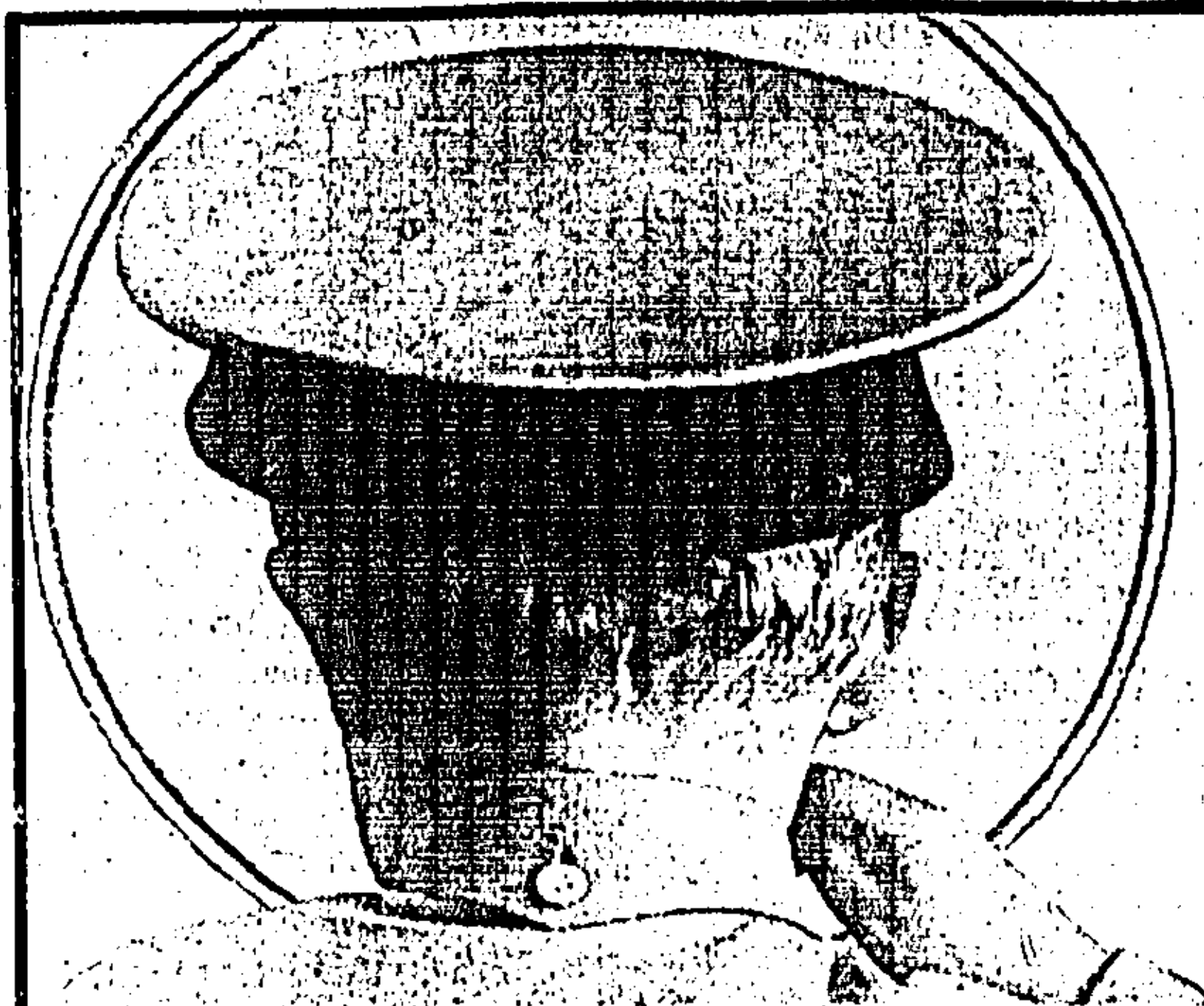
They were Arthur Hewitt, aged 18, son of the church, and Ellen Forrest, aged 22.

It is thought that they had gone into the furnace-room to shelter from

the cold wind and rain and had been overcome by fumes.

Mrs. Hewitt discovered that morning that her son had not been home all night, and searched the village for him.

Going at last to the church, she looked through the window of the furnace-room and saw her son and his sweetheart seated side-by-side.



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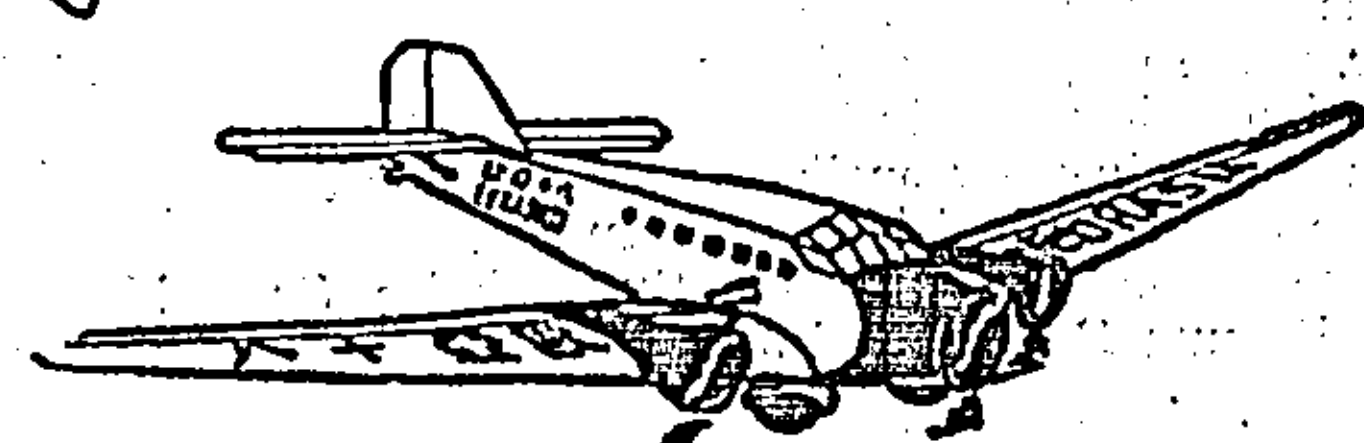
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members of the Iranian and Egyptian royal families.

To-morrow, President Majlis will give a tea party in the gardens of Parliament Building, and a banquet will be held in the evening at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

On Tuesday the Egyptian Ambassador will give a luncheon in honour of Prince Farouk, and the Iranian air force will give a display followed by a military review in which a British naval detachment will participate. The proceedings will end with a race meeting.

A State banquet will be given by Queen Nafiseh in the palace at night in honour of the Shah and Queen of Iran.—*Reuter*.

### British Envoy Sees Chiang Kai-shek

Shanghai, Apr. 23. Chinese reports from Chungking state that Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, the British Ambassador, conferred with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek at the latter's headquarters in Chungking on Saturday afternoon at a special tea service in honour of Sir Archibald.

However, details of the conversation have not been divulged, but it was added the Ambassador expected to remain in Chungking for a fortnight.—*United Press*.

New York, Apr. 23.—The death is reported here today of Mr. Julian Thompson, aged 50, from influenza. It was Mr. Thompson's investigations as Secretary of McKesson Robbins, which led to the receipt of the company and the suicide of Donald G. Cooker, alias Philip Musica.—*United Press*.

TOKYO, Apr. 24.—Seventeen workers and firemen were injured in explosion in the Chiyado Chemical Factory in the suburbs of Tokyo on Saturday afternoon.

Spontaneous combustion of natrium is blamed for the explosion.—*Domest.*

## Television For 350 Cinemas

GAUMONT BRITISH and Baird Television officials have decided to go ahead with the production of television apparatus to be installed in 350 cinemas.

Mr. Isidore Ostrer, chairman of the Gaumont British Picture Corporation, said recently that he had arranged for big American stars and sporting personalities to visit this country and appear in future cinema television programmes.

He mentioned Bing Crosby, Rudy Vallee, Grace Moore, Eddie Cantor, Deanna Durbin, and Joe Louis.

More than 17,000 square feet of floor space is being added to the Baird factory at Sydenham to facilitate the speed-up in production.

The Boat Race and the Cup Final, for which the B.B.C. are making elaborate plans, are likely to be televised to cinemas.

## Explaining Curate's Egg To Foreigners

Most of us have heard at odd intervals about the curate's egg, reputed to be good in parts. But to the foreigner, hearing the expression for the first time, it is completely added.

It is but one of many phrases in everyday use in Britain which confuse visitors from abroad.

"Cupboard love" (affection engendered by mercenary motives), "once in a blue moon" (very infrequently), "every mother's son" and "Tom, Dick and Harry" are others.

To help foreigners—and Britons—to understand English more clearly Sir Denison Ross, the Oriental scholar, has written a book, "This English Language," recently published which is a guide to everyday English. The brief explanations given here are not from this book.

350 PHRASES

"Some time ago I was asked to lecture to teachers from other countries who were taking a special English course at London University," Sir Denison said.

"I discovered some of the great difficulties under which foreigners labour when dealing with our language and decided to write this guide to everyday English."

"For instance, a person has been to a theatre or game and a friend says: 'What was it like?' The reply is made: 'Oh, good in parts.' There are the numerous quotations from Shakespeare, the Bible, Prayer Book, hymns, nursery rhymes, nonsense verses, and well-known characters of fiction which have become a part of our everyday language."

"I find there are about 3,500 such phrases used by every Englishman in the course of normal conversation, day in and day out. I have taken these and added their meanings."

"GOING TO WIMBLEDON?"

"Apart from such quotations there are place names which when mentioned to an Englishman are self-explanatory. For instance, when someone says 'I am going to Goodwood' everyone knows he is going to a horse race meeting. You can expect the foreigner to understand that."

"Or someone says: 'Are you going to Wimbledon?' which every Englishman knows means 'Are you going to watch the lawn tennis championships?' that is everyday English, but it may be meaningless until it is explained."

"An Englishman may say of another 'he's like the Vicar of Bray' or 'he (or she) is a Peter Pan.' 'Frequently the origin of these sayings are unknown to people who use them in England, but everyone knows what they mean.'"

"Like the Vicar of Bray"—turn-coat; "Peter Pan"—even youthfulness.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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The Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held in the Company's Office, P. & O. Building, 5th Floor, on Wednesday, 20th April, 1939, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 22nd April, to Wednesday, 26th April, 1939, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, the 20th April, 1939.

### German Monoplane Due Here Soon

Beirut, Apr. 23.

The Junkers 52 airplane of the German Luftwaffe Company, with Baron Von Gablenz and a crew of three aboard arrived here from Athens at 1.47 o'clock on Saturday afternoon on a flight from Berlin to Tokyo, via Hongkong.

Stopping overnight at Beirut, the plane will leave for Baghdad on Sunday morning.—*Domest.*

The German plane is due in Hongkong on Wednesday.

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## \$5,000 A YEAR ON DRESS 'Clothes Brought Me To Bankruptcy'

"I HAVE always had a passion for clothes—that is why I was at the Bankruptcy Court."

Thirty-six-year-old Mrs. Beryl Kathleen Mills made this confession at her service flat in Hans Crescent, Knightsbridge, recently. At her public examination in bankruptcy, she had agreed that £2,181 of estimated debts totalling £3,080 was for clothing.

Her only assets were said to be cash in hand £1 and a fur cape valued at £5.

LOOKING FOR A JOB

"At the moment I have no definite plans," she said, "but I suppose now I shall have to look for a job. I would rather work as a saleswoman at some dressmaker's than anything else."

She spoke of her passion for dress. "When I was married I spent about £5,000 a year on clothes," she said. She had agreed with the Official Receiver, Mr. T. C. Cadogan, in court that up to 1930 she had had ample means "to indulge in this weakness" to her heart's content.

"And when this generous treatment by your husband ceased you still indulged in this particular whim of yours?" asked Mr. Cadogan.

Mrs. Mills did not reply.

DECORATIONS—£514

She agreed her liabilities included £514 for decorations, £220 furniture, £130 betting, £22 flowers, £14 perfumes, and £130 medical expenses.

Some of the debts had been outstanding since 1931 and 1932, she said.

In 1932 she obtained a divorce. The following year her former husband fell into arrears with weekly payments to her, and in October, 1933, she accepted £1,250 in satisfaction of the arrears and future payments—which was exhausted within a year.

BECAME SALESWOMAN

Since the end of 1933 she received £156 a year profit—rental of some premises—together with gifts from friends. Between March, 1934, and April, 1935, she supplemented her income by earning about £5 a week as a saleswoman.

Mrs. Mills admitted that last year she bought a dress for 22½ guineas and a week later another dress for 25½ guineas.

"A most irresponsible way of going on," said the Official Receiver.

The Registrar: "Irresponsible" seems a most merciful way of putting it. I should use a much harder word.

Mrs. Mills said she had no excuse to offer for her conduct. "I have been paying a lot of bills, and I thought I should be able to meet them all," she added.

She agreed that in 1930 she gave away jewellery, including an Indian-turned gold watch lighter, a set of stones and links which cost £40, and a gold watch and chain which cost £55 10s.

"And you did not pay for any of them?" asked the Official Receiver.

"I don't think I have," was the answer.

You have been generous at the expense of your creditors?—Yes.

The examination was closed.

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### LARGE-SCALE CHINESE OFFENSIVE

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caught in a cross fire from the Chinese guerrillas operating on both banks. All the junks were sunk and the Japanese either







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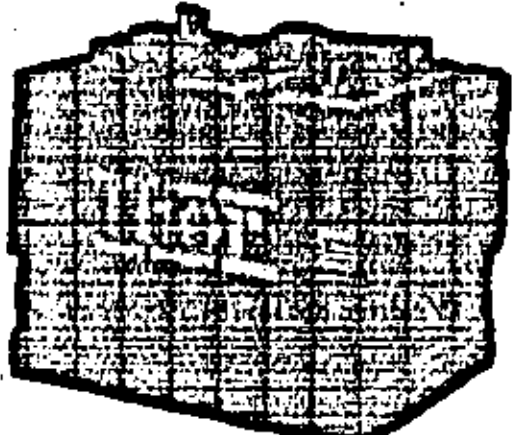


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### Deep Shelters

THE WHITE Paper on Air Raid  
Shelters, issued in London on  
Friday, opposes as impracticable for  
that city the scheme for providing  
deep bomb-proof shelters for the  
civilian population.

This would appear to vindicate  
the policy, apparently adopted in Hong-  
kong, of favouring a system of dis-  
persed trenches, which gives protec-  
tion against blast and splinters, but  
not against direct hits, incendiaries  
or gas.

Such, however, is not the case.  
The system of complete protection  
advocated for Hongkong by this  
newspaper envisages the tunnelling  
of the Peak, which is something en-  
tirely different to deep excavation.  
The latter system would be as im-  
practicable in Hongkong as it is  
apparently, in London. Apart from  
interference with underground  
sewerage systems, etc., the ques-  
tion of water seepage would at once  
render it difficult of accomplishment  
in this Colony.

But by reason of its topography,  
Hongkong, unlike London, can over-  
come the obstacles inherent to ver-  
tical excavation by horizontal tun-  
nelling.

The Peak provides this Colony with  
almost ready-made facilities for a  
system of deep air-raid shelters. We  
have no hesitation in expressing the  
opinion that the system urged by this  
newspaper for Hongkong would long  
ere this have been adopted in London  
if the topographical features present  
in this Colony were available in  
England's metropolis.

Let us examine the reasons why  
deep shelters were rejected by Sir  
John Anderson. They were:

- 1.—Diversion of material, effort  
and money from active defence.
- 2.—Technical difficulties of con-  
structing a shelter system which  
would guarantee speedy and  
sufficient access to the population  
which would want to use it; and
- 3.—The time factor of construc-  
tion.

The first objection can hardly  
apply to a tunnelling system in  
Hongkong. The material is avail-  
able and, without doubt, so is the  
labour. Unlike a scheme for deep  
excavation, tunnelling requires no  
astronomical expenditure.

The second objection does not  
apply to tunnelling. The drive  
would enter virgin rock and soil,  
i.e., it would not interfere with  
existing underground sewerage and  
other systems and would not be  
obstructed by the problem of water  
seepage from river, sea, or subter-  
ranean artesian flows. That the  
technical difficulties of constructing a  
tunnel through the Peak from the  
city to, say, Aberdeen could be over-  
come is borne out by the fact that  
the length involved is little, if any,  
more than the length of the first  
tunnel on the Kowloon-Canton Rail-  
way.

Unlike London, the major part of  
Hongkong's population needing pro-  
tection in the event of an air raid is  
confined to an area of only a few  
acres. For the people residing in the  
densely populated tenement areas on  
the island—considered by some  
authorities to be the most densely  
populated area in the world—there  
can be no protection but tunnels.  
Their buildings are death traps and  
there is no room for trenches.

The third objection in the White  
Paper again raises the time factor.

# St. George, Shakespeare, and Shirley Temple

YESTERDAY was St.  
George's Day.  
Shakespeare died 323  
years ago, and Shirley Tem-  
ple was born ten years ago.  
Probably more English-  
speaking people will re-  
member Miss Temple's anni-  
versary than will bother  
about Shakespeare or St.  
George.

At a few subscription dinners  
held by this society or that, a  
few chairmen will wind up  
speeches modelled on the  
eloquence of Lord Baldwin with  
the words "Gentlemen, the  
toast is England."

A few solemn companies of  
men raise their glasses and a  
muttered echo "England" will go  
round the room.

I KNOW very few facts  
about St. George; I  
don't suppose anyone knows  
many.

There are two St. Georges.  
One is the real one—the knight  
in shining armour who, from  
the back of his splendid charger,  
digs a writhing dragon in the  
belly with his spear, while a  
lady in a nightdress waits for  
her release.

This St. George was in fact, I so why not St. George with his  
suppose, Perseus, who rescued spear? In any case, he is England's  
Andromeda; St. George, being a Patron Saint and yesterday was  
Christian martyr, stole the dragon story from Perseus and his day, and I would like to doff  
was beautifully celebrated in the him my cap for a moment.  
Golden Legend.

The other St. George is the  
unreal one; the one who lived in  
history; was born in Cappadocia  
of a noble Christian family;  
served the Emperor Diocletian  
as a soldier; rebuked him for his  
persecution of Christianity; and  
died a martyr at Nicomedia.

I like, myself, to mingle the  
two figures and think of the  
fearless soldier who, after  
rescuing the princess from the  
dragon, defied Diocletian and  
was martyred for his faith. I  
suppose the two are incompatible  
—or were there dragons in  
Diocletian's time?

One has been apparently shot  
only this week in West Africa.

### —To-day's Thought—

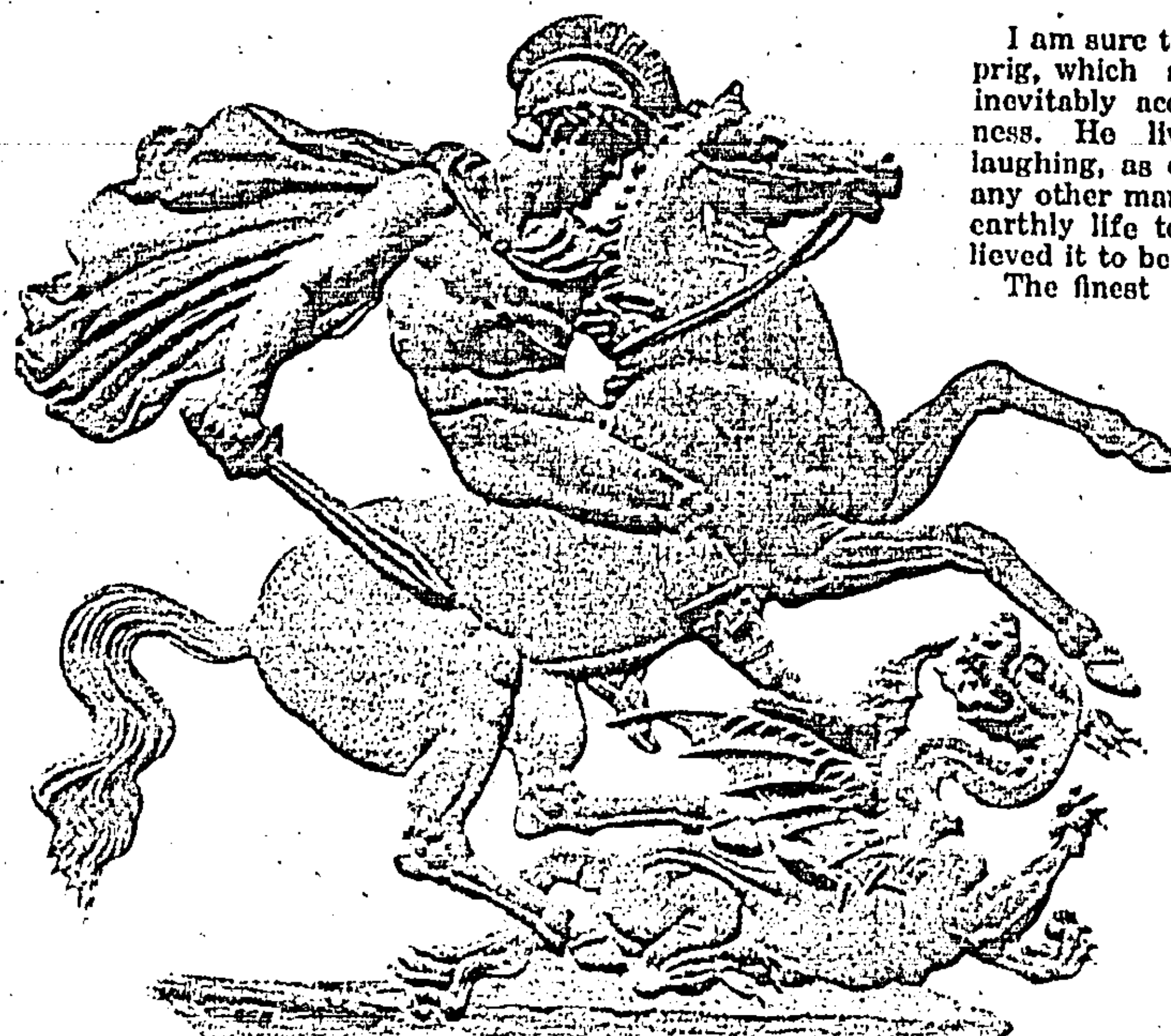
THE Englishman's strong  
point is a vigorous insu-  
larly which he carries with  
him, portable and sometimes  
insupportable.

—HIGGINSON.

We are at a loss to see how this  
objection can be sustained in Hong-  
kong, unless the authorities here  
admit that an emergency is so close  
upon us that any attempt to com-  
mence a system of real protection is  
hopeless. That objection is, we be-  
lieve, a most negative and fatalistic  
one. It raises the implication that  
a system of real protection not having  
been started two or three years ago,  
when there was time to bring it to  
fruition, nothing can now be done  
because it is too late.

At the risk of becoming repetitive  
and boring, we will continue to raise  
this subject of adequate air and pro-  
tections for Hongkong civilians until  
Government announces a definite  
policy. Indelibly stamped on our  
mind is the spectacle we witnessed  
in Canton of hundreds of torn and  
shattered bodies of men, women and  
children who relied on the in-  
adequate system utilised in the  
Kwangtung capital of protection from  
blast and splinters—a system which  
has apparently been adopted in  
Hongkong. From our own experi-  
ence we have no hesitation in con-  
demning surface shelters as death-  
traps. We saw between twenty and  
thirty victims dug from a living  
tomb in the grounds of the Sun Yat-  
sen University, victims of a bomb  
that exploded 200 yards away. Blood  
ran red in trenches dug to give blast  
and splinter protection. These  
casualties did not all occur in  
tenement areas; many were in what  
were, according to Hongkong city  
standards, sparsely settled streets.

China itself has long since  
recognised that the system of pro-  
tection from blast and splinters is  
inadequate in mass air raids. In  
China, the war-time capital  
where the terrain is somewhat similar  
to that in Hongkong, vast lengths of  
horizontal tunnels, of the type we  
urge for this Colony, have been com-  
pleted to provide complete shelter for  
at least fifty per cent. of the popula-  
tion.



This is St. George and the Dragon as we knew them on the sovereigns and  
half-sovereigns. The design was by the famous Italian sculptor, Benetto  
Pisrucci, and it is said that he originally intended to use it on a gem he  
was preparing for a private client.

I am sure that he was never a  
prig, which some people think  
inevitably accompanies saintli-  
ness. He lived as jolly, as  
laughing, as coloured a life as  
any other man. He enjoyed his  
earthly life to the full, but be-  
lieved it to be not the only one.

The finest man I know has  
many of the  
qualities of St.  
George. He  
never speaks  
without reason;  
he is fearless;  
not very analyti-  
cal; prefers to  
be doing things  
rather than dis-  
cussing them;  
loves his coun-  
try, but believes  
that other coun-  
tries should live  
in the way that  
they prefer; is  
greatly generous  
but secretly so;  
likes to rescue  
beautiful maid-  
ens; and grows  
roses in his  
garden.

### More Dragons

So, like him, there are, I  
am sure, many men  
and women in England. And  
yet I fancy that St. George may  
feel a little disappointed as he  
looks around him here and there.

He may think, gazing about  
England, that there are too many  
red villas, too many uncultivated  
acres, too many men not only  
unemployed but not over-anxious  
to be employed, too little kind-  
ness, too little gener-  
ousness of spirit.

But, after all, he is a Saint of  
Common Sense. He has a quick,  
ready smile. He has slain  
dragons so often that he knows  
well—how many more there are  
to conquer.

And, as he once again surveys  
the rivers and the rocky coasts,  
the dim line of purple hills, the  
thick, dark woods where he  
hopes the bluebells will be allow-  
ed to live undisturbed, he is not  
complacent, he is not contented,  
but there are worse things—  
worse things, surely, than to be  
Saint and Patron of this old,  
God. He cared for something  
bigger and greater than himself.

### DUNVEGAN CASTLE

EDINBURGH.

Fire damaged the south wing of  
Scotland's oldest castle, Dunvegan on  
the Isle of Skye, for centuries the

seat of the Macleod of Macleod.  
During one of the first snowstorms  
of the season, more than 200 islanders  
fought savagely to quench the flames.  
and salvage the historic treasures  
within the ancient walls.

### GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"Of course, I hope what I told you about her isn't true!—She's  
my best friend, you know!"



## OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

### Britain

## National Day Marked By Tense Atmosphere

London, Apr. 23. The heat of political fires which seem likely to change the face of Europe anew—not necessarily in a territorial sense if the democracies have their way—shows no sign of cooling off. The realisation of this weighs heavily on the British press on this St. George's Day.

Serious attention is devoted to the situation in all its aspects, despite the absence of surprises since President Roosevelt startled the world with his message to the dictators, which in eloquent of the steady determination of every shade of public opinion to face up to the seriousness of the hour. While the democracies and axis Powers are seen engaged in something of a race to woo the smaller Powers before Friday, when Herr Hitler is due to reply to Mr. Roosevelt, there is acknowledgment in plenty that this does not complete the present picture.

As the Sunday Times observes editorially, however, the diplomatic picture may vary in detail from hour to hour. One thing is unchanging, and that is the present necessity for the British nation to develop its maximum fighting capacity within a minimum time. Thus, the issue of conscription is raised anew in some journals. Led by the Observer, they affirm that the matter will be re-raised at to-morrow's Cabinet meeting and give further currency to the reports in the past 48 hours that France has made a new plan for introduction of what to this country would be a revolutionary peace time measure.

The aim of British policy in the Balkans is seen by the Sunday Times diplomatic correspondent as an endeavour to promote a neutral bloc of countries (no doubt including Bulgaria) pledged to come to each other's assistance.

The importance of the Anglo-French negotiations with Turkey in connection with the Eastern Mediterranean is underlined by the Observer's diplomatic correspondent. Dealing with another aspect of the growth of the anti-aggression front—obscurity in the relations between Rumania and Poland—the Sunday Times diplomatic correspondent points out that conditions have changed since the alliance between the two countries, framed with a view to mutual protection against the Soviet. The correspondent adds that the Rumanian-Polish treaty, therefore, needs to be brought to date and M. Gafencu will be able to explain in London—where it is due to-day—what progress has been made in this direction.

Whether or not the Far East will enter into the Anglo-French agreements with the Soviet is still a matter for conjecture, but reports from Paris do not support those made yesterday. Commentators expect that with M. Ivan Laisky's return to London, Mr. Chamberlain will be in a position early this week to make a statement on the progress of the negotiations. Speculations as to the attitude Herr Hitler will take up on Friday are now beginning, but little that is concrete emerges from these, with the exception that Polish and German circles in Warsaw understand that strong diplomatic pressure will be brought to bear on Poland to dissuade her from binding her fate with the Western Powers.—Reuter.

### FUGITIVE PIANIST

#### Austrian Artist to Play Over Station ZBW

Hands that have fingered piano keys in Austria will play Hongkong listeners over Station ZBW, shortly. They are the hands of Erich Porges, fugitive from Austria. They are winning him a livelihood in his exile and may win him fame akin to that which he enjoyed at home.

Tall, dark, and interesting, Mr. Porges presides at the piano in Jimmy's Kitchen. His fluent playing is supported by the violin of another European fugitive, one-time prominent Viennese. Born in Vienna, Mr. Porges spent his early childhood struggling to learn the piano against the wishes of his father. He was 18 when his father announced that he intended to apprentice him in business; but the urge to pursue his musical career fired the youth and he ran away. He became pianist in a small hotel in Semmering, one of Austria's well-known ski centres. Ski-ing on a powder snow in the warm sun during the day and playing gay waltzes and shopblatters in the evening, Mr. Porges found Semmering a blissful refuge. He decided, however, to go to Graz, one of Austria's larger towns, and there he led his first big band, and composed a few pieces.

A Viennese restaurant owner finally discovered him and invited him to Vienna. He accepted for one fleeting visit; to Calcutta, he remained until European persecution claimed him among its many victims. Mr. Porges will heard from Z.B.W. studio on May 1 from 7.45 to 8 p.m.

### Rumania

## MAY BE GIVEN BIG LOAN

### New London Report

London, Apr. 23. Commenting on the forthcoming Anglo-Rumanian negotiations on the occasion of the visit of the Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu, to London where he is scheduled to arrive this afternoon, the diplomatic correspondent of the Sunday Times states that it is in a position to confirm that the British Government does not intend to ask that the guarantee to Rumania be transformed into a pact of mutual assistance, as was the case with Poland.

The correspondent attributes much importance to the economic negotiations between the two countries, which will take place simultaneously with the political talks, and announces that M. Gafencu will have his first conversation with the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Oliver Stanley, to-morrow. The correspondent asserts that the British Government intends to place a credit of £2,500,000 at Rumania's disposal.—Trans-Ocean.

### ROMANIAN TALKS

London, Apr. 23. British sources have revealed Rumania's astonishingly frank reply to Germany. "Germany" is in a better position than Rumania to know her own intentions," it is said. Diplomatic circles here consider this to amount almost to a snub, and admit that Rumania has certain apprehensions because of world conditions.—United Press.

### TALK WITH M. BONNET

Paris, Apr. 23. Important results are expected from the visit to Paris of the Rumanian Foreign Minister to the French capital on Wednesday. He will confer with the Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet.—Trans-Ocean.

### Germany

## Receives Replies To Questionnaire

Brussels, Apr. 23. Semi-official sources here said that Belgium's reply to Hitler was: "Germany, Britain and France, in anticipation, answered President Roosevelt's question in 1937 when they guaranteed Belgium territory."—United Press.

### SWISS NEUTRALITY

London, Apr. 23. The reply of Switzerland that the Federal Council has not been notified of President Roosevelt's intention to send peace appeals to the German and Italian Governments. Secondly, the Council is confident there will be respect for Swiss neutrality, which the Confederation will defend with her army and which Germany and other States have emphatically recognised.—Reuter.

### LITHUANIA'S TREATY

London, Apr. 23. Lithuania's reply to the questionnaire refers to the Lithuanian-German Treaty of March 22 regarding the cessation of Memei. By the Treaty, Germany shouldered an obligation never to resort to or support force against Lithuania.—Reuter.

### CAUTION IN RUMANIA

Bucharest, Apr. 23. Reliable sources state that Rumania's reply to Hitler's questionnaire states that she has no advance information regarding Roosevelt's message. Rumania does not consider herself to be menaced by Germany, but she is forced to take precautionary measures owing to the threatening developments on her frontiers.—United Press.

### DENMARK NOT THREATENED

Copenhagen, Apr. 23. It is reported here that Denmark has replied saying that they do not feel themselves to be threatened. However, the Danish Foreign Office refused to say even whether they had received a questionnaire from Hitler.—United Press.

### SWEDEN'S REPLY

Stockholm, Apr. 23. Sweden has made a reply to Hitler's query. "We do not feel in any way threatened," it says.—United Press.

### FINLAND NOT MENACED

Helsinki, Apr. 23. The Finnish Foreign Minister today announced that, in reply to the German query, Finland did not think Germany menaced Finnish neutrality.—United Press.

### NORWEGIAN SHIPS

#### Consul Will Protest Against Seizure

Chungking, Apr. 23. Two Norwegian ships have been detained by the Japanese in Manoh Harbour in Fukien province. It is learned that the Norwegian Consul-General in Shanghai will protest to the Japanese Consul-General, and request their release.—Central News.

### Bishop of London

London, Apr. 23. His Majesty the King has nominated the Rt. Rev. Geoffrey Francis Fisher, present Bishop of Chester, for election by the Dean's Chapter as Bishop of London. Bishop Winnington Ingram of London is shortly retiring.—Reuter.

### Yugo-Slavia

## TO JOIN WITH AXIS POWERS?

Venice, Apr. 23. Italy apparently induced Yugo-Slavia to join the Axis during the Italian Foreign Minister's conference with the Yugo-Slavian Foreign Minister yesterday, thereby giving the Axis a solid block of territory in which the Axis will be predominant from the Baltic and North Sea to the Greek frontier.

Although no communication has been issued, it is understood that the respective ministers have worked out details for a non-aggression pact which Italy is sponsoring to bring Bulgaria firmly within the Axis. It is reported that Belgrade wants the pact to be triangular between Yugo-Slavia, Hungary and Rumania, whereas Hungary, on account of her territorial claims against Rumania, desires to exclude Rumania.—United Press.

### Pressure from Berlin

Belgrade, Apr. 23. Political circles suggest that Yugo-Slavia be asked to join the anti-Comintern Pact or at least establish evidence of her disinclination to join the Anglo-French defensive alliance. Further pressure is expected to be exerted on the occasion of M. Markovic's visit to Berlin, which is now scheduled for April 26. Responsible circles, however, do not believe that Yugo-Slavia will allow herself to be thus entangled.—Reuter.

### Vote for Democracy

Belgrade, Apr. 23. Ten thousand young Yugo-Slavians representing a diversity of organisations and all shades of party opinion, attended a meeting in the Belgrade University. A resolution was adopted in favour of democracy and appealing to the Government not to cover a secret adhesion to the aggressor with the cloak of neutrality.—Reuter.

### Friendly Talks

Venice, Apr. 23. A communique was issued after the meeting between Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Secretary, and M. Markovic, Yugo-Slavian Foreign Minister, which states that the various questions of interest to the two states in the present international situation were examined and also the recent events in Albania. The communique confirmed the very friendly relations between Italy and Yugo-Slavia.—Reuter Bulletin.

### British Defence

## Conscription Said To Be Very Likely

London, Apr. 23. According to the Daily Telegraph, the question of conscription for military service will be considered at a meeting of the "Inner" Cabinet which had originally been convened to discuss the Budget.

The main reason for this, the newspaper declares, is French insistence on some form of conscription in Britain, but it is also believed in London that such an innovation in the German army would be a great advantage to England in the event of a draw upon all her resources except man power. The second reason is a military one since Territorials are only available for instruction for a few hours weekly and a large number of training officers is required. The Daily Telegraph understands that Mr. Chamberlain has been deeply impressed by the French argument that some measure of conscription would do more than anything else to convince the smaller European countries of Britain's determination to resist aggression.

The French Ambassador, M. Corbin, saw Mr. Chamberlain on Friday and intimated that France would welcome some form of conscription in Britain.

If immediate steps are decided upon, conscription is likely to affect all men, not in reserved occupations, between the ages of 18 and 20. They are likely to be called up for military training within a few weeks and would constitute an army of about half a million men.

An increase in the number of full-time soldiers is considered as particularly important, since regard to air-raid precautions, since doubts have been expressed recently whether the present number of A.A. gun units, consisting exclusively of Territorials would be sufficient to safeguard London.

The Daily Telegraph article concludes with an assertion that the leaders of the Trade Unions, who have so far formed the strongest opposition to the introduction of compulsory military service, are now so convinced of the seriousness of the situation that they will refrain from creating any further difficulties.—Trans-Ocean.

### Japan-Britain

## EAST ASIA TENSION GROWING

### Diplomatic Talk In Tokyo

Tokyo, Apr. 23. Sir Robert L. Craigie, the British Ambassador, was received by Mr. Hiroshi Arima, the Foreign Minister, this morning for the first time following his return from Shanghai.

It is understood that during the interview, which lasted for one hour, Sir Robert Craigie told Mr. Arima that while relations between the British and Japanese residents in Shanghai and other places in China were becoming smooth, it was regrettable that settlement of various pending issues between Japan and Great Britain was making slow progress.

Mr. Arima replied that the Japanese authorities in China were continuing careful studies with a view to accelerating settlement of outstanding questions.

Information regarding the latest developments in Europe was understood to have been exchanged. The Nishi Nishi Shimbun, comments that resumption of negotiations in Tokyo at this juncture is significant in view of the visit of Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, the British Ambassador to China, to Chungking. The paper indicates that the Chinese Ambassador at London, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, was requesting Lord Halifax to include China in the "anti-aggression" bloc and the Chinese Ambassador to Washington, Dr. Hu Shih, was appealing to the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, to include China in those countries whose independence should be guaranteed.

### Chungking Conversation

The paper understands that leaders of the Kuomintang Government, including Dr. Wang Chung-hui, the Foreign Minister, and Dr. H. H. Kung, President of the Executive Yuan were negotiating with Sir Archibald for further British assistance to China.

The Journal asserts that, as the result of their conversations in Shanghai, the two British envoys in the Far East came to the conclusion that the four-point British policy towards the Far East should be strengthened.

The four-point British policy provides, firstly, that Japan's actions should be counter-acted by economic warfare in anticipation of exhaustion of her national resources; secondly, that assistance to the Chiang Kai-shek regime should be continued; thirdly, that the bloc of Democracies should be extended to the Far East to intervene in China affairs; and fourthly, that Britain's position in the Far East should be safeguarded. Characterizing the alleged British policy as "diametrically opposed to Japan's fundamental policy for the construction of a new order in East Asia," the paper says that further conversation between Japan and Great Britain will not serve to settle pending issues unless Britain understands Japan's position correctly.—Domei.

### Tension Increasing

Tokyo, Apr. 23. The Kokumin Shimbun says that Japanese official and private circles are greatly irritated at the news that Britain is not only seeking a rapprochement with the Soviet but also intends to extend the Democratic front to the Far East.

Japan may have to reconsider her attitude towards British rights and interests in China, the newspaper says.

The news is construed as indicating that Britain is assisting in the Bolshevization of East Asia. What diplomatic action the Government will take against Britain is a matter for serious consideration, the Journal declares.—Reuter.

### "War Possible"

The Miyako Shimbun according to Trans-Ocean, declares that Japan does not want war, but any provocation by Britain would immediately lead to a war. The paper alleges that, in spite of the Japanese Foreign Minister's efforts to normalise Anglo-Japanese relations, Britain, by assisting General Chiang Kai-shek and co-operating with Russia, has increased the tension between the two countries. The paper extends that war between Britain and Japan seems possible.

### NOVEL CONCERT

#### Competition in Singing And Dramatic Performances

A novel concert in which singing and dramatic contests among seven schools of the Colony formed the programme, was held in the Kwok Shui School, 2, W.C.A. St. Stephen's Girls' College on Saturday evening. The competitions provided good entertainment for a large audience. The proceeds of the concert were for the Student Relief Fund.

Dramatic Contest.—1, Pui To Girls' School, 2, Y.W.C.A. St. Stephen's Girls' College, 3, St. Paul's Girls' College, 4, Queen's College, 5, Lingnam Middle School, 6, Lingnam Middle School, 7, Lingnam Middle School. Singing Contest.—1, Pui To Girls' School, 2, Y.W.C.A. St. Stephen's Girls' College, 3, St. Paul's Girls' College, 4, Queen's College, 5, Lingnam Middle School, 6, Lingnam Middle School, 7, Lingnam Middle School. Essay Contest.—1, St. Paul's Girls' College, 2, True Light Girls' College, 3, Queen's College, 4, Lingnam Middle School, 5, Pui To Girls' School, 6, Y.W.C.A. St. Stephen's Girls' College, 7, Lingnam Middle School.

## British Budget To-morrow

London, Apr. 22. Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, will present his Budget in the House of Commons on Tuesday. Members of Parliament are at present occupied with the international situation so that there is little speculation as to the contents of the Budget, but it is generally expected to lay further burdens on taxpayers.—Reuter Bulletin.

## Japanese May Land At Foochow

Peiping, Apr. 23. Foreign reports from Foochow indicate fear that the Japanese may shortly attack the city from the sea and try to make a landing. Lately the city has been subjected to many bombing raids by planes from the Japanese aircraft-carriers. Three such raids yesterday did considerable damage and caused sixty casualties. Owing to the air raids and fear of an attempted landing, the Chinese Provincial Government is reported to have been removed inland to Yenping on the Min River.—Reuter.

## AMERICAN PLANES FOR CHINA

New York, Apr. 22. Although a spokesman of the Chinese Embassy in Washington denied knowledge of any impending transactions, the well-informed New York Times states that it learns that contracts for purchase of 100 or more planes are being negotiated for shipment to China.

The report says that in addition to the planes, contracts for aeroplane engines and equipment to a total value of from \$5,700,000 to \$15,000,000 are being negotiated. Secrecy prevails, adds the newspaper, but it is understood that the prospective orders tentatively include 64 Severely single-seater pursuit planes capable of nearly 300 miles an hour.—Reuter.

### Aeroplane Parts

New York, Apr. 23. The New York Times understands that one or more contracts for planes for China will be signed next week. To-day's report said Mr. Samuel Needleman of the Aviation Equipment Exporting and China Airplane Company has been in conference at Los Angeles with Mr. A. L. Patterson, United Aircraft Corporation's China representative. The report adds that the order includes three to four million dollars worth of United Aircraft Corporation's plane equipment. It is said that the American companies are selling through a "middle man."—United Press.

Trans-Ocean adds that the Severely-pursuit planes are equipped with 10,000 horse-power Pratt-Whitney twin "Wasp" motors. This machine which is one of the most modern in the American Army, is equipped with machine-guns and can also carry light bombs.

Numerous two-seater planes for both fighting and bombing have been ordered from the United Aircraft Corporation and a considerable number of training planes from the Ryan Aircraft Works have also been included. It is reported that other aircraft companies have received orders for later deliveries.

The planes will probably be sent to Burma or Indo-China, to be assembled there and flown across the frontier. The American press features this as an indication of the will of the Chinese Government to continue resistance to Japan.

### RAIDS IN KIANGSI

Kian, Kiangsi, Apr. 23. Kwei, east Kiangsi town, 103 miles south-east of Nanchang, was raided yesterday by three Japanese planes. Six bombs were dropped inside the town, demolishing four civilian houses.

Yushan, on the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway, 184 miles east of Nanchang, was also raided. Eight bombs were released in the busy sections of the town.—Central News.

### HONAN TOWN BOMBED

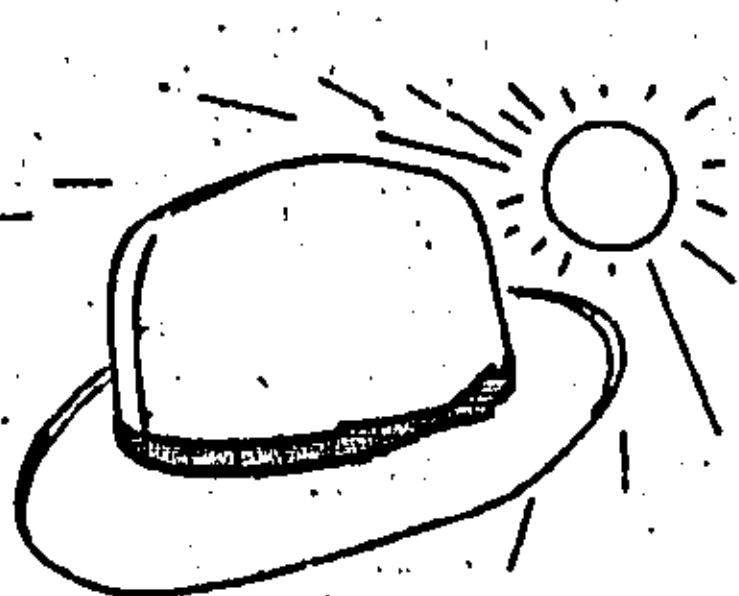
Nanyang, Honan, Apr. 23. Nelsing in west Honan was heavily raided by 18 Japanese warplanes yesterday morning. The raiders dumped about 100 bombs. Loss of lives and property is heavy.—Central News.

### URBAN COUNCIL

#### Applications for Licences To Be Considered

A letter from the Government relative to the appointment of the Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam and Mr. B. Wong Tape to be members of the Urban Council for a further term of three years will be laid on the table at the forthcoming meeting to-morrow. An application for a milk shop licence for 5, Arbutnot Road, ground floor and another for the Kwok, Tram Station, Caroline Road, will be considered.

Other applications include an eating house licence for 20 Canton Road, ground floor; an eating house licence for 229, Hollywood Road, ground floor; a food factory licence for 33 d'Agular Street, ground floor; a food shop (fruit) licence for 73 Chun Young Street, ground floor; a food preserving licence for 131 Sal-kung Road, ground floor.



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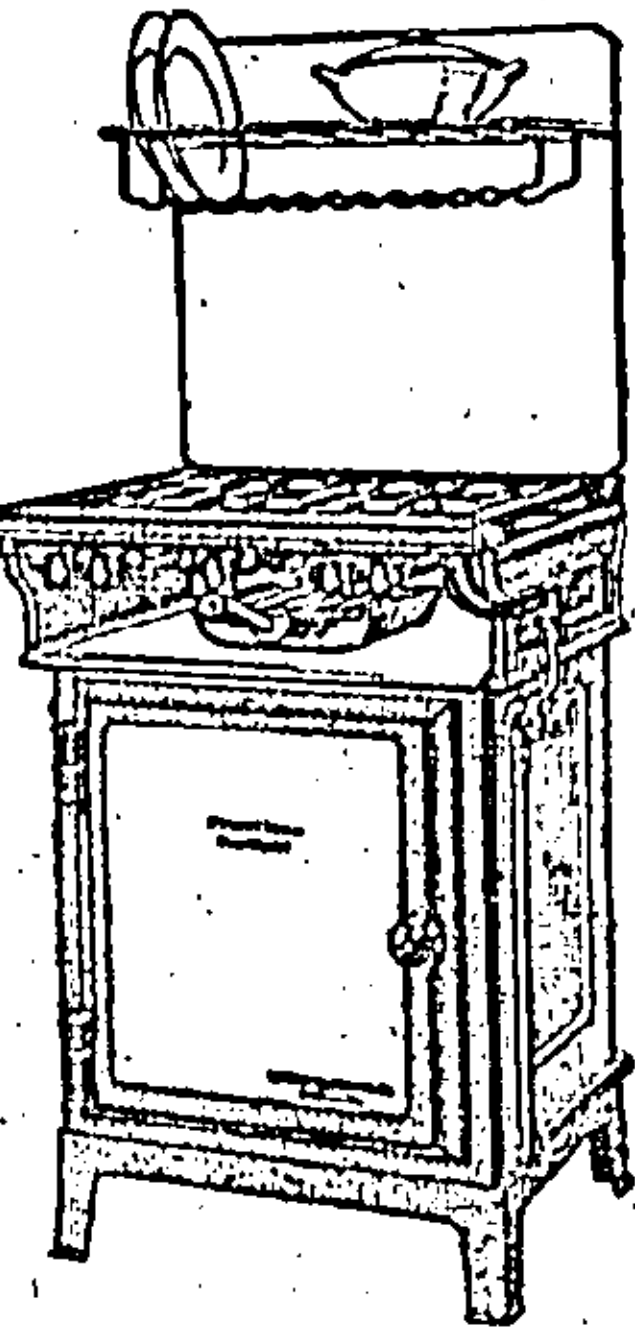
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### WATERFRONT SCENE

#### Firefloat Coxswain Said To Have Hit Policeman

A struggle between a Chinese detective and a woman at Gloucester Road near Tonnochy Pier, Wanchai, on Friday, led to the appearance of three persons before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy on Saturday. The woman, Chan Yee, 40, was charged with the theft of a piece of firewood from the harbour, while her daughter, Leung Chun, 17, was charged with obstructing the police officer. Kwok Ngan, 35, coxswain of a firefloat, was charged with assaulting and obstructing the detective, Yeung Sang, C321.

Det.-Sgt. T. Cashman said that the woman was arrested by the detective who had seen her pick up the firewood, which had fallen overboard from a junk into the water. As he was taking her to the Police Station, the girl, it was alleged, attempted to rescue her mother, and the man was said to have struck the detective a blow in the back.

Chan Yee admitted picking up the piece of firewood, and was fined \$5. The girl, however, said she was merely trying to give her mother some oilment, as she appeared to be distressed. The detective, she alleged, was hitting her mother right and left with his hands.

Kwok declared he was merely a passer-by, and the detective, in his struggle with the woman, bumped into him and accused him of striking him. Both Leung and Kwok were remanded on bail, and hearing of the case was fixed for May 4.

### H.M.S. KENT RETURNS

#### Vice-Admiral Completes Southern Cruise

H.M.S. Kent, with Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief of the British China Station, reached Hongkong on Friday evening on the completion of its southern cruise. The escort vessel, H.M.S. Falmouth, arrived back on Saturday morning. H.M.S. Cardiff reached Hongkong from the north on Friday night. She will leave for England at the end of the month.

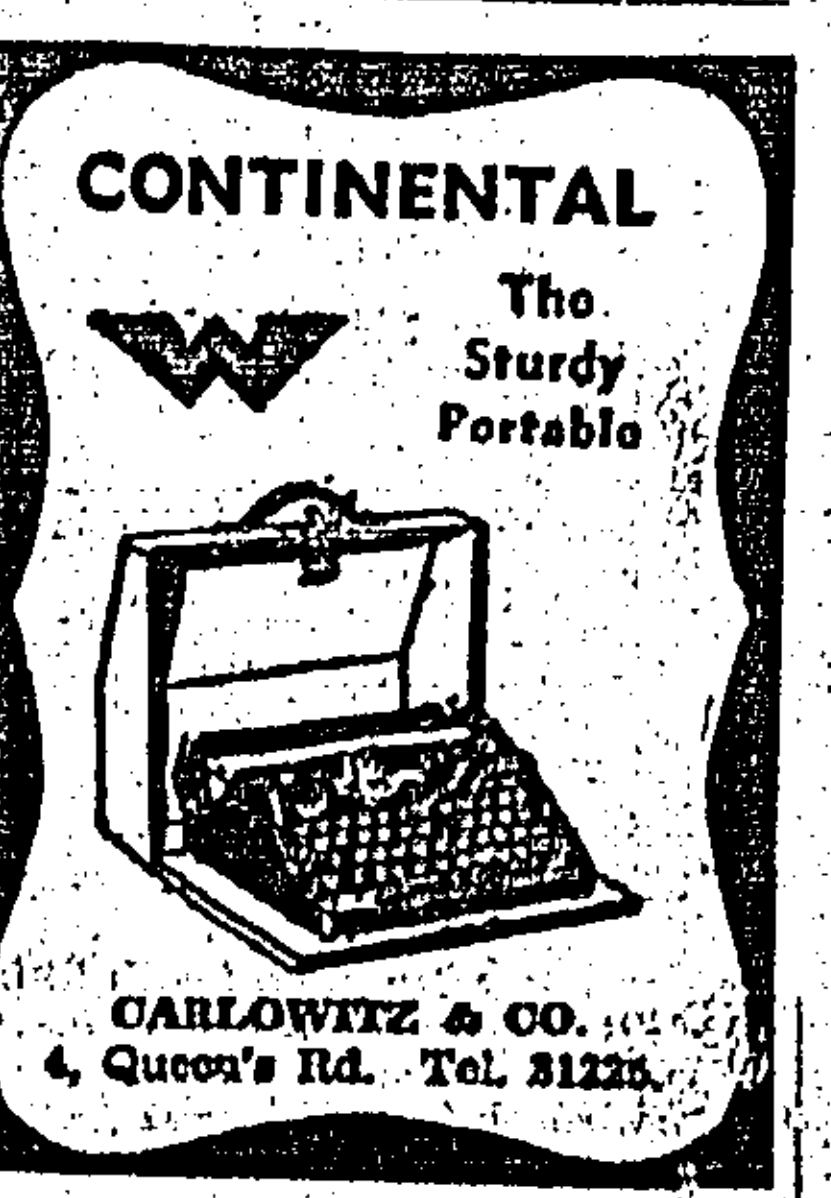
### NATIONAL REGISTER

#### Forms for Chinese Now Being Printed

The Chinese National Voluntary Register will shortly come into existence. Forms, similar to those already distributed to the British residents in the Colony, are now being printed. The work of distributing these forms will be carried through by the Chinese members of the Legislative and Executive Councils. The actual register of Chinese volunteers will be kept in the office of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. The register will be open to all Chinese—British subjects of Chinese birth and to any Chinese who feel they owe allegiance and who would be ready to help Britain in an emergency arose.

### UNIFORMS FOR CHINA

Manchester, Apr. 23. The Chinese Government is making inquiries for 20,000,000 yards of cotton goods suitable for military uniforms. The value of the goods is £500,000. Enquiries are also being made for 1,250,000 yards of khaki and white drill valued at £30,000.—United Press.





# ENGLAND WINS POOR INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY FINAL

## Danish Girl Improves On Own Record

Copenhagen, Apr. 23. Ragnhild Hveger, the famous Danish girl swimmer, established a 220 yards free style world record to-day when she covered the distance in 2 mins. 22.6 secs., beating her own previous record of 2 mins. 25.9 secs.—*Reuter*.

## S. China "A" Overwhelm The Navy

### Win Deciding Game By Four Goals

(By "Abe")

Until fairly late in the second half, the Royal Navy, despite being a goal in arrears, held their own in their deciding Football League match against South China "A" at Causeway Bay on Saturday. But in the last 20 minutes of the match they were over-run and were finally defeated by four goals to nil.

As a result of this victory, South China "A" thus won the League Championship, finishing the season three points ahead of the Navy and Eastern, who will have to play off to decide the runners-up position.

The ground was sodden and slippery, but despite the adverse conditions the game was very good indeed, especially in the first half when the exchanges were fairly even.

The Chinese won because they had the better-balanced team and because they had in Fung King-cheung, who scored a "hat-trick," the best forward in the field. Fung was at his best, distributing his passes well to both wings, and with Ip Pak-wah, formed a combination which proved far too good for the Navy defenders.

The Navy's greatest weakness lay in their forwards, who were unable to get going. The two wing-men, Armstrong and Moores, were hard-working, but neither was given the passes which they deserved; too often had they to go foraging for themselves.

### MISSED CHANCES

Nevertheless had they taken their chances the Navy would not have been a goal behind at the interval. But they did not make use of them and the Chinese, thanks to a nicely placed header by Fung, crossed over a goal in the lead.

A word must be said in praise of Dickenson's work in goal. He showed uncanny anticipation and positioned himself for the many shots fired at him, and undoubtedly saved the Navy from a heavier defeat.

In the second half, after an even opening, the Chinese forwards got into their stride despite an injury to Lai Shu-wing, and they scored three more goals without reply. By this time the Navy forwards were completely subdued, and the Chinese halves were thus able to take a hand in the attack.

The Chinese victory was well-earned indeed.

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## OPPORTUNITIES ALLOWED TO GO BY IN PLENTY

(By "The Pilgrim")

England won the International Hockey Tournament by beating Portugal by two goals to nil in the final on the Club ground at King's Park yesterday evening. Actually England did not give an entirely satisfactory display as they should have won by a wider margin; but that they were deserving winners there was little doubt.

The game in the first half was a scrappy affair and if Portugal had taken their scoring opportunities they would have led by at least two goals. Pinto, Souza and Beltrao showed enterprise and dash, but were never able to make use of opportunities in front of goal. The English defence held out grimly in the first 15 minutes, Osman in goal being brilliant. He showed amazing anticipation and made many fine clearances.

England:—Pte. Osman; V. C. Bond and L. Bdr. Carter; Bdr. Dilmott, Lt. Hook and E. Fowler; S. A. Fowler, E. R. A. Gemmell, G. H. Fowler, Bdr. Marshall and A. E. P. Gust. Reserve, Pte. Dunne.

Portugal:—E. V. Alves; R. Xavier and E. L. Gosano; R. A. Marques, J. B. Goncalves and A. M. Alves; R. M. Silva, A. M. Rodrigues, J. M. Pinto, N. A. Beltrao and A. P. Souza. Reserve, G. N. Gosano and P. Fonseca.

Ten minutes later, the English forwards found their feet and S. A. Fowler, on the right wing, got away and, cutting through the Portuguese defence, scored a somewhat lucky goal. E. V. Alves completely misjudged the flight of the ball which slowly rolled out of his reach. England took courage from this and kept up the attack until the interval was called.

### PLAY IMPROVES

Portugal took up the attack immediately after the resumption and within ten minutes forced four short corners, not one of which was turned to account. All were cleared without difficulty, though they gave the English defence some anxious moments. From then onward the English defence never looked back; instead they dictated the exchanges. The ball was swung from wing to wing and England's attack made considerable progress towards Portugal's goal, but it was not until about 20 minutes had passed before G. H. Fowler ran through to score a clever goal.

Portugal rallied strongly but their forwards seldom got past the English halves. In the closing stages of the game, England's defence held firm and enabled their forwards to be constantly on the attack. E. V. Alves, in the Portuguese goal, however, made several splendid saves and prevented the Englishmen from scoring further.

### THOSE WHO SHONE

Though Carter was not at his best, Bond, his partner, played a fine game, constantly breaking up the Portuguese attacks. Dilmott and Hook were the best halves, displaying renewed vigour in the second spell. G. H. Fowler, Gemmell and S. A. Fowler were the best in the English attack, but it took them fully 35 minutes to work with usual speed and rhythm. Portugal replied with a number of raids but their forwards were weak in shooting. A. P. Souza spoiled several movements by being off-side. J. B. Goncalves, at centre-half, and A. M. Alves were brilliant defenders, and had not Alves played so brilliantly the goal the score would have been much higher.

England had a better combination and a very capable defence, and though they were the better team of the whole and deserved their victory, it has to be admitted that this was the worst game of the 1939 series.

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## Two 'Hat Tricks' Feature Football Exhibition Game

(By "Abe")

The South China "A", winners of both the Shield and League, wound up a wonderfully successful soccer season yesterday by defeating the Hongkong Interport Selections by 4-3 at Caroline Hill in an exhibition game. Neither team was at full strength; still, there was no doubting the superiority of the Chinese.

In almost every respect, South China "A" were better than the Interporters who, without Beltrao, Courtney and several others, did not settle down until very late in the game. On the other hand, the Chinese, although Leung Wing-chai, Lai Shu-wing and Mak Su-hon were missing, always played together as a team; there was co-ordination between the forwards themselves and between them and the half-backs and it was this latter co-ordination which enabled the Chinese to appear so much better than the Interport XI.

For two thirds of the encounter, the ball was almost continually in Interport territory. When it did get near the Chinese goal, there was not a single Interport forward who seemed likely to score except Lee Wai-long and he was too well marked to be really effective. Besides, he did not get the passes on which he usually thrives, and it was not until the second half that he was able to score. But when he did get his chances, he put the ball in the net three times. Unfortunately, however, South China "A" registered four times, and the Interporters, finished the match on the losing end of a 4-3 total.

### NEVER IN DANGER

Leading by 4-1 at one stage of the match, South China "A" were never in danger of defeat. Their defence was too sound for the meddling Interport attack. With Lee bottled up and Gosano off-colour, the other Interport forwards seemed all at sea. Consequently upon Gosano's poor form, Hau Ching-to, on the left wing, did not receive many good passes, while on the right Emberson and Leonard seldom understood one another.

Fung King-cheung, following his fine display in the deciding game against the Navy the previous day, turned in another splendid performance as leader of the South China attack, scoring three goals, thus making his total six for the weekend. Not a bad "hag!"

Lee Wai-long's three goals were all registered in the second half, the first two being real "gems."

A strong wind throughout the match spoiled many passes and prevented the game from reaching the high standard which might have been expected with nearly all the leading players of the Colony participating. On the whole, the match was rather disappointing.

### ALWAYS IN FRONT

The South China "A" led by a goal at half-time, as a result of Fung King-cheung bundling Tam Kwan-kon across the goal-line, and shortly after the resumption, the same player put the Caroline Hill side two up. Then Lee Wai-long reduced the deficit in the very next minute of play, a perfect pass by Gosano giving Lee the chance to put in a characteristic drive from fully 30 yards out which beat Pau Ka-ping all the way.

South China went further ahead through Fung and Ip Pak-wah in that order, and in the closing minutes Lee scored two more.

After the game, the trophies for all the Divisions were presented to



Gemmell, the English, inside right, tackled by Portuguese defenders in the International hockey final at King's Park yesterday. Players (from left to right) are: R. Marques, Dr. E. L. Gosano, Gemmell, R. Marques and G. H. Fowler. England won the encounter by two goals to nil.—*Staff Photographer*.

## Tsui Yun-pui Clashes With Ho Ka-lau Colony Tennis Championships

The remaining quarter-final match in the Colony Tennis singles championship, between Tsui Yun-pui and Ho Ka-lau, is down for decision to-day on the standcourt of the Hongkong Cricket Club.

Tsui, of course, has been considered almost a certainty for the final, but of late his form has not been unduly impressive and though he is generally expected to beat the veteran Ho, he may find himself fully extended unless he touches top form.

This is the only match in the "Open" championships to-day. The programme at the Hongkong C.C. is as follows:

Open Singles	
Tsui Yun-pui (stand court)	v. Ho Ka-lau
Club Championship	
J. J. Ferguson	v. W. Sander
Club Handicap	
A. T. Dow	v. E. E. Story
W. R. Gordon	v. C. R. Nicholson
H. D. Bidwell	v. L. Goldman
Mixed Doubles	
T. C. Monaghan and v. H. J. Armstrong and Miss J. Greig	Mrs. Andrews

## "Y" Tennis Courts Being Re-turfed

The Y.M.C.A. tennis courts are closed until further notice for re-turfing. They will probably not be ready for play until the end of May.

## PETER KANE WINS VERY EASILY But Sangchili Goes The Distance

London, April 4.

Peter Kane, world fly-weight champion, easily outpointed Baltasar Sangchili, a Spaniard who once held the world bantam-weight title, over ten rounds at the N.S.C. Earl's Court, last night, writes F. Butler.

Sangchili, a pocket-Tarzan standing 4ft. 11½ ins., was too tough for our world champion to knock out. His awkward bobbing and weaving made it difficult for Kane to connect anywhere but on his granite-like head and there you have an explanation of Kane's not too impressive display.

Peter won every round with ease, but he lacked the fire and terrific punching that made him famous when a blacksmith's "hand."

### HALF PUNCHES

Peter explained this when he said "I did not dare to hit with my full power. That kid from Spain has a head like a brick."

Sangchili, as a former world champion, was disappointed. He showed toughness and courage, but his skill was limited.

The Spaniard was as delighted in defeat as Kane in victory. He jumped in the air and gave a kind of Fascist Salute—he did not intend it that way—to the four corners of the ring. He even kissed Kane and shook his manager by the arm.

Sangchili had one great admirer at the ringside, his young wife. They were married recently in Paris. She is a French trapeze artist, as blond as he is dark.

I wondered if Kane's right-hand punching was affected by the

### Polo

## SINGAPORE TEAM LOSE IN MANILA

Manila, Apr. 23. Opening their three-game series in Manila to-day, the 26th Royal Artillery polo team from Singapore lost to the U.S. Army's "Department Headquarters" squad by seven goals to two.

On Wednesday the Singaporeans will play Manila Polo Club "Calatagans."—*United Press*.

The Royal Artillery players are the first team ever sent to Manila from Singapore. The squad is composed of Major Phillips, Capt. Nicoll, Capt. Mitchell and Major Paterson—all two-goal handicap players.

It has long been the desire of the Manila Polo Club to foster a series of games between the Club teams and those representing other clubs in the Orient. Fifteen or 20 years ago interport matches were held between the Manila Polo Club and teams from Hongkong, and it is hoped that the present visit of the Singapore squad to Manila may be the beginning of an enlarged interport competition.

### Softball

## China Beats Portugal in Final Game

China copped the International Softball Shield yesterday when they subdued Portugal 8 to 2 in a game that upset the dopests. Portugal failed to score in the second stanza with a couple of markers, but were held scoreless thereafter behind the masterful pitching of Bill Woo, who only allowed the Rambling Rees four scattered bingles.

To make the day complete, the Chinese humbled the Filipino women 14 to 0 in a run-around Women's International game, featured by some heavy slugging by the victors. Shortstop Moe Chung and hurler Lily "Sunshine" Moe honored for the Chinese, while Chung and third sacker Ella China tripled.

Fausta Dimantig, diminutive slaban of the Philippines, shone for the losers with a triple and a bingle at two times up, and chasing in a couple of her mates.

### Result

Softball scores over the week-end were: Finals of the International Series (men's): China 8, Portugal 2. Women's: China 14, Philippines 9. Inter-Hong: Secony 11, Lucas 0. (Ten innings), Chartered Bank 15, Dutch Bank 14. Junior League: Comets 16, C.Y.M. 10; Tigers 14, St. John's 1.

amputation of his little finger. He denied this immediately. His large eyes seemed to grow larger as he said: "The only difference it has made is that I can now make fist easier." Peter certainly has a great sense of humour.

## Pace Tells On South China Team

### Many Players Develop Cramp In Closing Stages

A fast pace was maintained throughout the junior match at Caroline Hill yesterday when South China, champions of the Second Division, defeated the Rest by two goals to one. So fast indeed were the exchanges that in the last 15 minutes of play, no fewer than seven South China men developed cramp at one stage or another.

Seldom did a minute pass without a South China man limping or being carried off the field for attention. And once, after a hectic struggle near the Chinese goal-mouth, three members of the team were lying on the ground.

The Rest were unlucky to be beaten. They at least deserved a draw. They were attacking incessantly in the closing minutes, but did everything but score. Even a penalty was saved by Choo, the South China goal-keeper, who played a grand game.

The respective winners by Mrs. M. K. Lo, wife of the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Vice-President of the H.K.F.A. South China A:—Pau Ka-ping, Lee Tin-ang, Lee Kwok-wai, Leung Pak-wai, Lau Hing-chi, Kwok Ying-ni, Tang Kwong-sun, Ip Pak-wah, Fung King-man, Lee Yan-leung and Lau King-man.

Interport XI:—Tam Kwan-kon, Hou Yung-sang, Sheehan, Freshwater, Hui-in, Jonathan Emberson, Leonard, Lee Wai-long, A. V. Gosano and Hui Ching-to.

## What Is Wrong With Britain's Young Golf Professionals?

London, April 5. This is to be a season of paramount importance for the younger British golf professionals.

During it, we must find a team to send to the United States for the Ryder Cup match next November. And just now it seems as if that match will be a flop, says P. B. Lucas.

It is to be held in Florida. That in itself means that the "gate" will be a small one. Gene Sarazen, in fact, has it that the only spectators will be the seagulls, and Gene knows.

It is going to cost the P.G.A. £3,000 to send the British side over there. The whole trip will last seven weeks, and do you know how much our fellows will get for their toll? £50 each!

But let us get back to the men who will represent us. I cannot recall a time when the outlook for professional golf was more unhealthy. Even during that long run of U.S. victories in our "Open" we could at least console ourselves with the thought that we had players who were "up and coming."

### WHERE ARE THE MEN?

Where now are the men who are going to take the place of the "restless" and the "Whitcomb"? I will tell you a story. I recall Denny, like several of the others, is striving for a place in the States in November? You cannot answer those questions, and neither can I.

The fellows who, for a year or two have looked like becoming great players have not fulfilled their promise; one or two of them have slipped back.

Take Alfred Padgham, Arthur Lacey, Bill Cox, Jimmy Adams, and the others. These men may win a tournament—two tournaments—with totals of 282, and, indeed, play brilliant golf to do it.

Twelve months later, however, you are just as likely to find them struggling to qualify for a place in the final stages of those very same tournaments.

### ALWAYS THERE

You did not find that with the Mitchells, the Duncans, the Comptons, the Fred Robinsons, and the Charles Whitcombes in their day. They were always there or thereabouts.

You cannot say the same of the boys to-day. It is 68 one day and 80 the next—not the same old 72's, 73's and 74's for week after week and month after month.

Why is it? Abe Mitchell tells it is because the men to-day play wrongly. They are always swinging the ball, he says, from right to left, instead of hitting it straight or slightly from left to right. Very likely this is correct.

Personally, I hold the view that it is because they do not go about the game in the right way (we are judging them on a tremendous high standard, remember). On that score I will tell you a story.

The day before the Bournemouth tournament started, he went out to dinner with three of his fellow competitors. On the menu were oysters. Three of them ordered oysters, cham-

pagne and a couple of glasses of stout.

Denny said he would have something else—and water—because he was training and all the rest of it. Having told this he said: "But, you know, I don't want to go and make myself unpopular with the others by appearing to take everything so seriously."

Bless me, it is inconceivable that a man should even contemplate such a thing simply because he is training for a game which is his life's business, which demands physical perfection.

### TOO LAZY?

He ought to take it seriously, the more seriously the better. But that is the "cure" with many of them. They are afraid to train—because they will think they are being too serious. Or perhaps they are just too lazy.

When Walter Hagen and Bob Jones had an early start in the morning of a tournament, they would play their rounds, then go back to their hotel in the afternoon and relax on their beds.

Last week I found our young fellows—in similar circumstances—hanging about the clubhouse or out on the course watching their colleagues instead of resting.

Unless the younger professionals reorganised their outlook towards the game, we might as well discontinue the Ryder Cup. As present I can visualise our team being composed of all the same old names and no new ones.

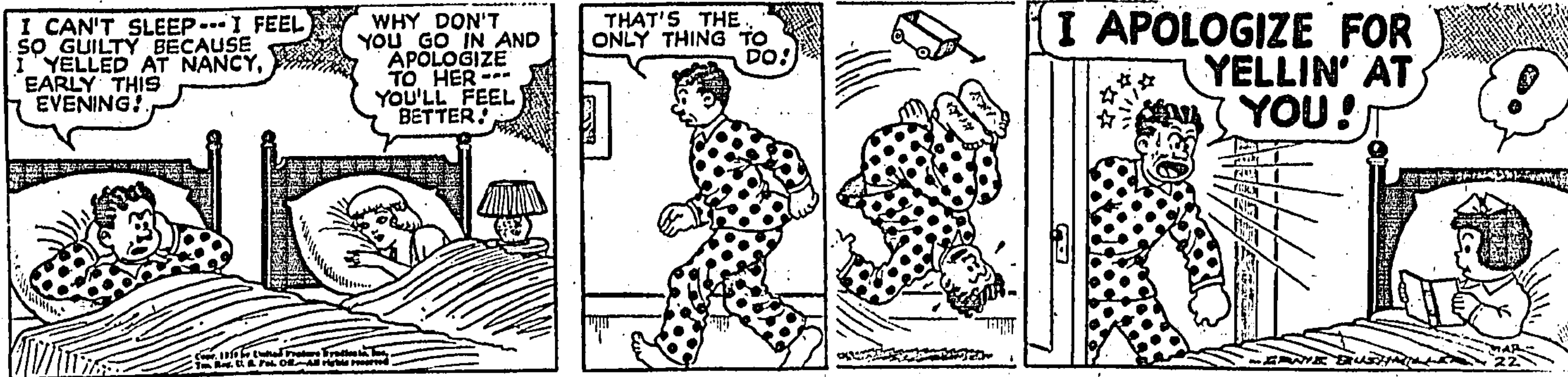
It will be a lamentable business if this does come to pass. And I believe it will. In which case the £3,000 might just as well be thrown into the Atlantic.



Pau Ka-ping, South China "A" goal-keeper, jumps out and punches clear off Gosano's head. An exciting incident in the exhibition soccer match at Caroline Hill yesterday when the League Champions defeated a weak Interport XI by four goals to three.—*Staff Photographer*.



# NANCY



## Man Who Made The Wolves What They Are

### Professional Football Player to a Major During World War MAJ. FRANK BUCKLEY

London. The Wolves! There's a magic about that name nowadays—a magic that once belonged exclusively to the Arsenal.

It spells everything that is new and up to date in football: huge covered stands, changing rooms that might have been designed in Hollywood, revolutionary ideas in training, gland treatment, and, more important than anything else, a young, virile team right on the crest of the wave, writes Thomas Woodroffe.

Yet only a few years ago people were asking: "Who are these Wolves everybody's making such a fuss about?" Eleven years ago, Wolverhampton Wanderers were a struggling team in the Second Division and, if not bankrupt—well, not far off it.

The glory of Wolverhampton as a football centre seemed to have departed for ever, and the pre-war sequence of eighteen years unbroken membership of the First Division was like a dream.

Immediately after the war the Wolves had been lost for a season in the dim obscurity of the newly formed Northern Section of the Third Division—they'd got out of that quagmire, but they were still only struggling.

Then, in 1928, a burly, five-foot-eleven man in plus fours became manager—a brusque, keen-eyed man with a sharp, business-like manner. His name was Frank Buckley.

Now, after eleven years, Buckley has got the Wolves into the Cup Final. The overdraft that greeted him on his first day in the Molineux ground—office is a credit of nearly £100,000, there's no mortgage on the ground—think of that, no mortgage!—the gates average over 30,000 a match, and the Wolves are right back on the map.

#### \$2,500 A YEAR

In four years Major Buckley had the Wolves back in the First Division, where they belong, and they have never looked back.

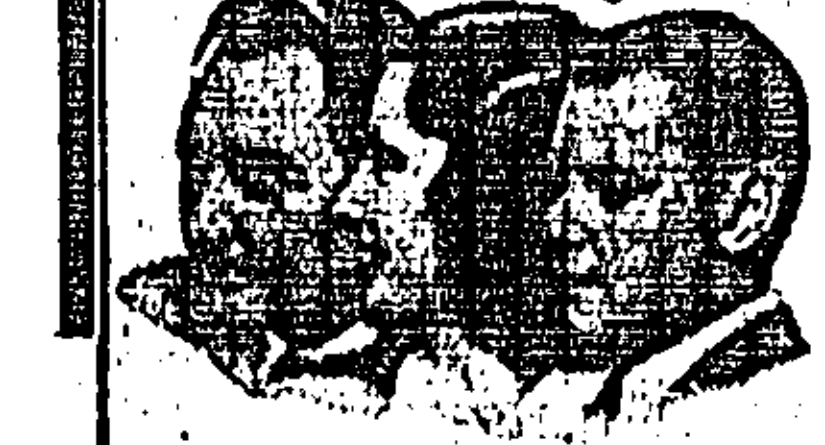
He hasn't done so badly for himself, either. Before the war he was a professional footballer with Derby County and Bradford City, earning three or four quid a week (salaries being much lower in those days).

Now he enjoys and fully earns a salary of £2,500. He has a life contract as manager of the Wolves, and his life has been insured for £10,000 by his club.

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**NEXT CHANGE  
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the man who knew what he wanted and got it, the late Herbert Chapman, of Huddersfield Town and Arsenal. Chapman believed in buying ready-made players—he gave £10,000 for David Jack. He paid out £10,000 odd for Alec James, and got his money back over and over again.

Frank Buckley only believes in huge transfer fees when he's at the receiving end. His method is to get players in the raw—make them—and then sell—if it suits him. The Wolves' unrivalled financial position is largely due to transfer fees received.

Buckley, like Chapman, is ruthless and determined, but his methods are different. He believes in youth on the field, and, what's more, youth that has been taught and moulded to his own design.

Long years ago he decided that the only road to the top was the one of his own choosing. He would find his own players and find them young—no ready-made reputations for him. If any reputations were to be made, they would be made under his tutelage. He wanted two-footed players with the speed and stamina of Sydney Wooderson.

He made mistakes—who doesn't? But he went on until he got them right and now he'll watch the result of his labours at Wembley, on April 29.

#### HAD TO FIGHT

He has had to fight for his theories—and fight hard. He has had his failures, and knows what it feels like to have the mob parading in front of the stand and howling for his head on a charger.

On these occasions Buckley didn't bat an eyelid. He knew that his methods were right. He was going to turn this second-rate provincial team into a rival to the Arsenal. Let them howl! They'd be cheering one of these days. He was right. That same mob now parades in front of the stand cheering instead of howling.

#### LONDON BECKONS

He has produced the most prosperous club in the history of football in a town of only 133,000 population. Any manager will tell you that he (the manager, not Buckley) could work wonders with a wealthy London club—that's what they all think, anyhow.

If that is so, what could Buckley do in London? Bristol and Nottingham have populations three times as large as Wolverhampton, and yet they have quite undistinguished teams.

And it is possible that Buckley may find himself in London one day. He is ambitious and a man of action, and he can probably terminate his life contract at Wolverhampton if he wants to. If the offer were tempting enough—he might be the first £5,000-a-year manager—you can be pretty sure that Major Frank Buckley would come up and conquer the capital.

#### PRO. TO MAJOR

Frank Buckley, three-pounds-a-week professional footballer, gained the rank of major in the war. He joined the Footballers' Battalion under Colonel Grantham, an old Indian cavalry officer. Buckley was a promising recruit, and finally became second in command of the battalion when Colonel H. T. Fenwick, D.S.O., took it to France.

It was in the Army that Buckley learned how to handle men, and in particular that rather knobby type of man, the professional footballer. Colonel Grantham died a year or two ago at the age of 60, and he often said that footballers were difficult material to lick into shape as soldiers—but they made good soldiers.

He used to say of that great international centre forward, Vivian



Fred MacMurray—as a hard-boiled newspaperman—shows the romantic aspect of life on the other side of Fifth Avenue to lovely Madeline Carroll—the flower of the upper crust—in "Cafe Society," Paramount's gay satire on life among the Upper 400. The picture is being shown simultaneously at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres.

#### GOLF

### PADGHAM WINS IN RE-PLAY

London, Apr. 22. Alfred Padgham, of Sunningdale Park, won the Silver King Golf Tournament re-play at Moorpark today, R. Burton, of Sale, retiring at the 33rd, hole when Padgham was nine strokes ahead.

Padgham led by seven strokes at the end of the morning round, the respective scores for which were 74 and 81.

Padgham and Burton had tied with an aggregate of 255. T. Collinge, of Swinton Park, and C. S. Denny, of Thorpe Hall, were joint third with 268 each.

Reginald Whitcombe, the "Open" champion aggregated 268, and Henry Cotton, the Ryder Cup captain, totalled 269.—*Reuter*.

Woodward, that he just hated drill and above all, polishing buttons.

But Woodward became the champion Mills bomb-thrower in the battalion, and soon no one would go near him—he always had his pockets full of bombs.

Three other present-day managers were in that famous battalion—Jack Tresadern, of Plymouth Argyle, Angus Seed, manager of the victor, Burnley, and Charlie Bell, of Bournemouth, who was Buckley's batman.

#### WELL HATED

Frank Buckley is a complex character and for that reason he's well loved and well hated.

He has his fair share of guile—he couldn't be a football manager if he hadn't. He is ambitious and tough, but there's a streak of kindness in the man.

As an old player himself, he can see the player's point of view; he recognizes that players have rights and are entitled to a fair dividend if they behave loyally and give of their best.

As an ex-second in command of a battalion in war time, he is a strict disciplinarian. He won't have players stirring up strife or questioning policy—which, after all, is none of the player's business.

Above all, he is fair and his players know they'll get a square deal from him. For instance, he never leaves a player up in the air without summer wages.

If a player he does not want to retain is good enough and commands a fee, he is transferred during the

#### LOCAL YACHTING

### Corinthian Cruisers Race Won By Norena

Norena won the Corinthian cruisers race held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday in which two out of three competitors finished the course. Details:

	Finished	Corrd Pos.
Norena	13.55.00	14.10.30
(J. E. Potter)		
Azuma	14.22.40	14.18.41
(E. B. Lambert)		
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season. If he is not transferred by the end of the season the player is placed on the retained list and gets his summer money.

Buckley will always find a man a fresh start. He expects a perfect physical fitness and likes players who are anxious to get on and better themselves.

Buckley really hit the front pages when he took up gland treatment. Then he introduced two sixteen-year-old boys in the League eleven at the same time—the first manager ever to do so.

It was he who first suggested numbering players—an idea he borrowed from the Rugby League. He's always advocated having old players as referees—much as you have old players as first-class umpires in cricket.

#### MISERABLE

If it's a close game at Wembley there'll be two very miserable looking gentlemen sneaking away to the back of the stand unable to stand the strain of watching.

One will be a big, bluff man with a keen eye; the other a smallish, happy, neat little man wearing spats. One will be Frank Buckley, and the other Jack Tinn, the Portsmouth manager.

If the Wolves win that Cup after 31 years it will be due practically entirely to the character, ability and theories of Frank Buckley.

#### WIFE HELPS

Frank Buckley owes a lot to his charming wife, a student of psychology, who helps him to give individual attention to his players. Her advice has played a big part in the mental speeding-up which is so noticeable about these young Wolves.

Buckley and his wife are a happy pair. Their favourite hobby is dog-breeding and they have won many prizes with their Welsh terriers and black retrievers.

Buckley will go down in history as the man who found his footballers in the by-ways and set them on the by-pass to fame.

### Scottish Cup Final Won By Clyde

London, Apr. 22. Before a crowd of over 100,000 people to-day, Clyde beat Motherwell by four goals to nil in the Scottish F.A. Cup Final at Hampden Park. The weather was cold, but sunny.

Motherwell kicked off with the wind, and in the first minute Mathie tested the Clyde goalie, Brown. Clyde retallied, and Murray was called upon to punch over a high shot from Noble.

Motherwell had a couple of chances, but Brown saved from a corner and again from a low shot sent in by Bremner.

After a period of even play, the Clyde defence was severely tested, but Wallace scored for Clyde after half an hour's play.

Half time arrived with Clyde leading by one-nil.

Hoped by strong wind after the interval, Clyde added three more goals through Martin (2) and Noble. —*Reuter*.

#### AMATEUR CUP FINAL

Sunderland, Apr. 22. The final of the Football Association Amateur Cup competition was played to-day, Bishop Auckland beating Willington by three goals to nil.

#### FAR EAST OLYMPIAD

### Japanese Negotiations To Revive Athletics

Nanking, Apr. 22. The newly-established Chinese Athletic Federation is making arrangements with the Education Ministry of the Reformed Government for the organization of the 10th Far Eastern Athletic Championships Meet.

Negotiations with shortly be started with the Japan Athletic Federation. After the Japanese authorities approve the project, invitations will be sent to Manchukuo, the Philippines, Siam and India. —*Domei*.

#### A.A.A. CHAMPIONSHIPS

London, Apr. 22. In the British Amateur Athletic Association Championships, which are being held at the White City, H. Churcher, of the Belgrave Harriers, won the seven miles walk in 52 minutes 37 seconds. The ten miles race was won by J. Chapelle, of Belgium, in 51 minutes 56 seconds.

### Champion Potato Family

Digby, N. S. A family here claims a record for yearly consumption of potatoes. The family, which is composed of the father, mother, 14 children and 21 grandchildren, consume 10 bushels of potatoes a month. A special pot is used to boil them for each meal.

### Police Are Thumb-Printed

Cincinnati, O. All the members of Cincinnati's police department are getting their thumb prints taken for self-identification in case one of them visits another city.

### GIANT SWEEPER INVENTED

CLEVELAND, O. The "flying dust-pan"—a giant motorized sweeper invented by R. C. Howell, Cleveland industrial engineer—sweeps factory floors or city streets at a speed of three miles an hour. It requires a commercial vehicle licence when used on streets and highways.

#### PORT HOUSTON

HOUSTON, Tex. Port Houston's tonnage in 1938 totalled 26,061,074 compared with 20,854,013 tons in 1937, establishing an all-time high for a Texas port. Joseph W. Evans, chairman of the Port Commission, reported, however, the cargo value declined from \$407,022,899 in 1937 to \$400,426,145 in 1938.



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## After £3,400 Award ACTRESS SAYS: "I AM VINDICATED"

MISS ELIZABETH ALLAN, the actress, awarded £3,400 breach of contract damages in the "Citadel" lawsuit in the King's Bench Division recently, against Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer British Studios, Ltd. said:

"I am very happy and delighted. Apart from the award itself, my reputation has been cleared.

"It was awful after the original part of 'The Citadel' (film version of Dr. Cronin's novel) was changed. "I was terribly embarrassed on occasions because people might have got the impression that I was not good enough for the part. Now, however, I have been vindicated."

An official of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer said that an appeal is being considered.

#### CHRISTINE'S DEATH.

Mr. Victor Saville, the film producer and director, stated during the hearing of the action that Dr. Cronin told him that he killed the heroine, Christine, in the novel because he wanted his hero to go to the heights.

of medicine unshackled by a wife. In the film version Christine is not killed.

#### SPORT ADVTS

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fourth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 6th May, 1939 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; The Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club, and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 27th April, 1939.

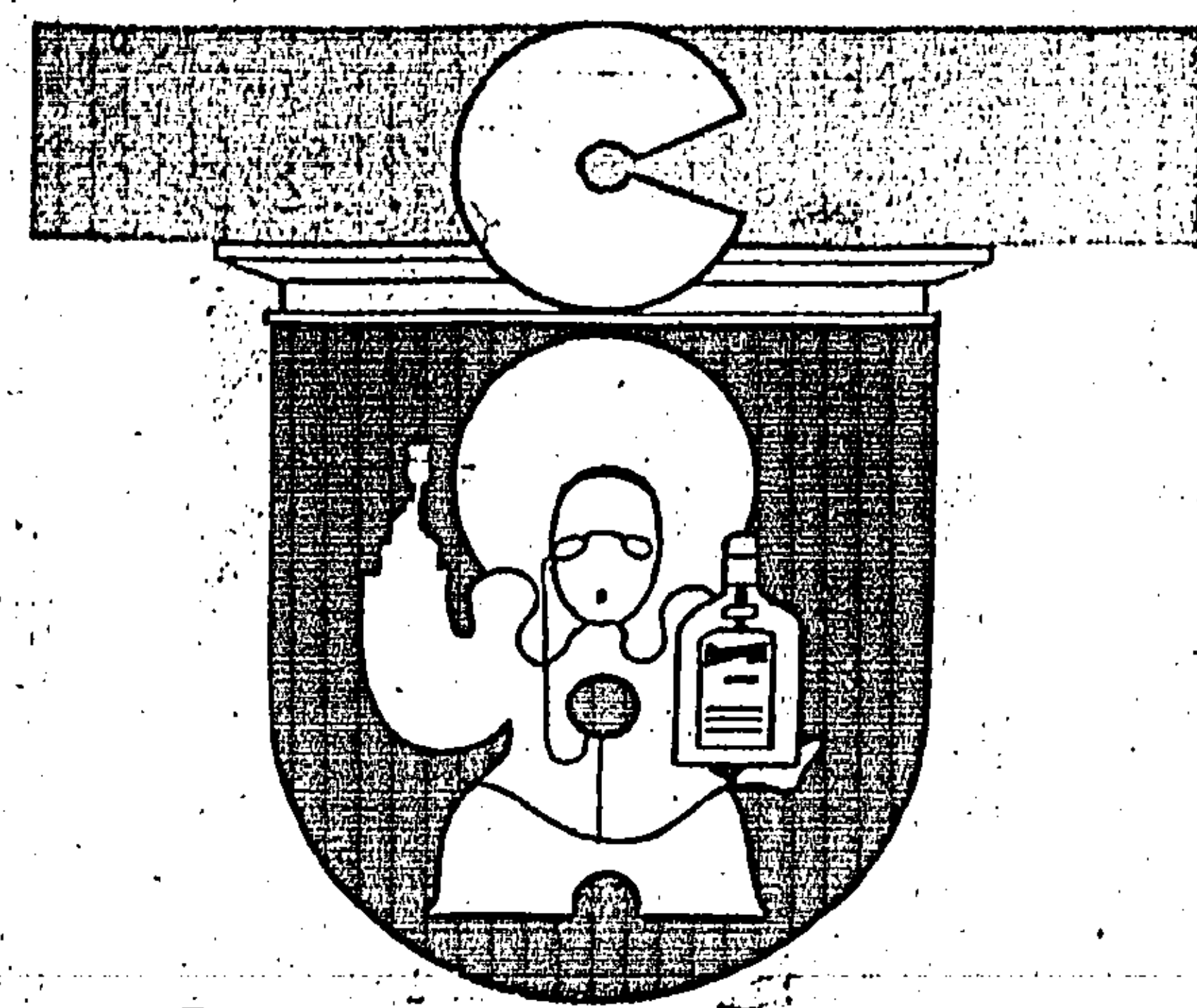
By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

### Rusty Fence Wire Booms

TOLEDO, O. A boom in rusty fence wire appears to be in progress, as many truckloads of the old wire pour into the yards of scrap iron dealers here. Dealers can explain the increase only by assuming that the high price of scrap iron has stimulated the trade.

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If you are blessed with generous cupboard room, and an elastic allowance, so much the better for you. Remember, too, there is every prospect of finding afternoon tea and towel accessories among your wedding gifts, so leave some of these purchases to the very last.

THE life of your linen depends on regular rotational use and temperature-tuned storage. Be sure to watch your stocks and replenish ranks at the first sign of wear. The more items allowed to each set the less they come into action, so their span is proportionately lengthened.

Linen in reserve allows for over-loading and mending, and this is wise for hard-worked sheets or pillowslips. These fibres need rest and recuperation as much as our garments do.

For bed linen and towels there is wide variety in colour and weave. Coloured sheets are easier for home laundering, and there is greater scope for harmonising with predominant notes of a scheme. Linen is traditional for hard wear, but "union" mixtures, or Egyptian cotton, make popular sheets. These are warmer in use, cheaper to buy and they take the soft pastel tints which are so fashionable just now.

Test for durability lies in the weave, so hold up a corner to the light and watch the way of the threads. Close, even criss-crossing indicates firm texture, with every prospect of it keeping shape after repeated wear and washings. Pre-washed or pre-shrunk material is helpful to buy and you should look for colour fast guarantees and quality test labels.

Weight gives very little index to actual quality because sizing, china clay and other dressings are introduced into some cheaper materials to patch up on poorer weaves. After laundering these fabrics appear impoverished and fuzzy with exposed and frayed threads. If you are doubtful rub a finger between finger and thumb over some darning surface and you will soon see if fine powder falls beneath.

ALWAYS buy bed linen to suit your bed measures, as nothing is so comfortable as a scrimped tuck-in allowance. Watch decorations and finish, too. Hem stitching is attractive but weakening to fabric, so cord stitching replaces it to a large extent. If you are set on drawn thread work, choose the sheets of generous length, to allow for "renovations" later. The way you can have fresh hems put in for you when the time comes.

Take exact dimensions of pillows for well-fitting slips. Too tight a fit is hard and uncomfortable, while too large a ease is fretting and untidy. By the way, extra pillows are a wise investment for emergency use, and many people have them instead of bolsters. Thus all top and under cases are of standard size. Linen is refreshing for pillow slips, so remember to include at least a few for the warmer weather.

Linen excels for towels, and there are several weaves from which to choose. Plain patterns are best for consistent hard wear, as there is compact support when threads intersect evenly. Frequent dampening means greater strain for the fibres, so this is quite important.

LINEN storage needs careful planning. You need an even dry temperature, with good ventilation, and there must be freedom from steam or dampness, as this causes mildew.

Contrary to modern house design, the bathroom is not the best location for the linen chest, nor is too close proximity to hot-water pipes, as this brings speedy yellowing. There is a lot to be said for a built-in press with slatted wooden shelves, and provision for occasional airing. Low consumption gas or electric heaters are excellent for cupboard conditioning, and many of these screw down to the floor as permanent equipment.

Line up the shelves with cut-down damped damask, old sheeting, or a cheap glazed holland. Decorate edges with gay, bold proof binding, and leave deep flap fronts to fold back on the finished pile. Each section holds together when tied with deep linen bands, colour bound to match. This way you are sure of rotation in wear.

Mark everything in a definite position, such as the top left corner, or for sheets—the bottom left corner. Inventory helps for checking laundry returns, tracing lost articles, or for keeping useful records of the life of your linen. A ruled-off exercise book answers the purpose, while a single sheet list makes easy reference from the back of the door.

If linen is being stored for any long period, stow away free of starch or dressing wrapped in blue tissue paper to keep it snowy and fresh. While valuably protective for daily use, starch tends to yellow stored linen, and sometimes starts rotting in the fibres.

Blankets are another problem, as they not only need dry storage, but



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## What to Buy

THREE of everything is a good rule for household linen, and this allows one in use, one in the wash, and a spare one for emergency. Of course, the more you can allow the better things will last, as it levels up on wear.

### BEDROOM LINEN

Three pairs of sheets to each bed—good length for tuck-in. Three pillowslips to each pillow. Two under-slips to each pillow. Two bolster-cases or two under pillow-cases.

### BLANKETS

Three for each bed. Under blankets—one to each bed. (When eider-downs are used two good fleecy blankets are often sufficient.) Mattress covers to requirements. Spring mattress pads or protectors.

### TOWELS

Three bath-towels per person—Turkish or Terry towelling. Six face-diapers for fine face-towels. Bath sheets if required. Towel bath-mats—two to three. Small guest-towels—one dozen. Lavatory cloths—six. Small razor-towels—four to six. (These save accidents with larger towels.)

### TABLE LINEN

Fashions vary a good deal in this section, but it is best to allow three sets for each kind of table setting. Three breakfast-sets. Three luncheon-damask or artificial silk table-cloths, with table napkins to match. (Three per person or half a dozen to match each cloth.) Afternoon tea-sets, with small knee napkins. Six tray-cloths or trolley-cloths. For a highly polished table—one heat-proof undercover for use with table-cloths. One set heat-proof table-mats.

### KITCHEN TOWELS

These are usually "typed" and distinguishable by woven descriptions. (Always choose linen material for glassware and tea-towels, as other materials "stain" badly and wear thin.) Six glass-cloths. One dozen dust-sheets as required. Three oven-cloths. Six unbleached pudding-cloths. Three roller-towels. One dozen netted dish-cloths.

practical protection from moth. Tinted chests are good for summer use, as well as precautionary spraying with insecticide and close wrapper linings of moth-proof paper.

When you buy blankets, remember weight means nothing in warmth. Neither does high fluff, because loosely woven fabric can be deceptively fluffed to look generous and inviting. Look at the weave against the light and see that it is firm and close. All-wool, pre-shrunk blankets make things simpler all round, and they sometimes sell them moth-proofed, too.

WHILE on bed linen—how many of us think we have done our bit for bedding by a daily turn and air of the mattress? We assiduously spring-clean bed frames and fittings, but sometimes forget the inner workings of the mattress. This is not enough for the Continental housewife, who keenly supervises her visiting upholsterer at his annual spring-clean visit.

Always choose the best in bedding you can rightly afford. After all, we spend one-third of our lives in bed, so it's worth while to make sure of lasting comfort.

Daily sunning and fresh air spell rejuvenation for mattresses and pillows. When the softer weather comes along draw them to a sunny open window for an hour or more. Apart from freshening the filling, it puts new pep into half interiors, and gives them fresh zest and spring.

## "DOWN UNDER" TO BE LINKED

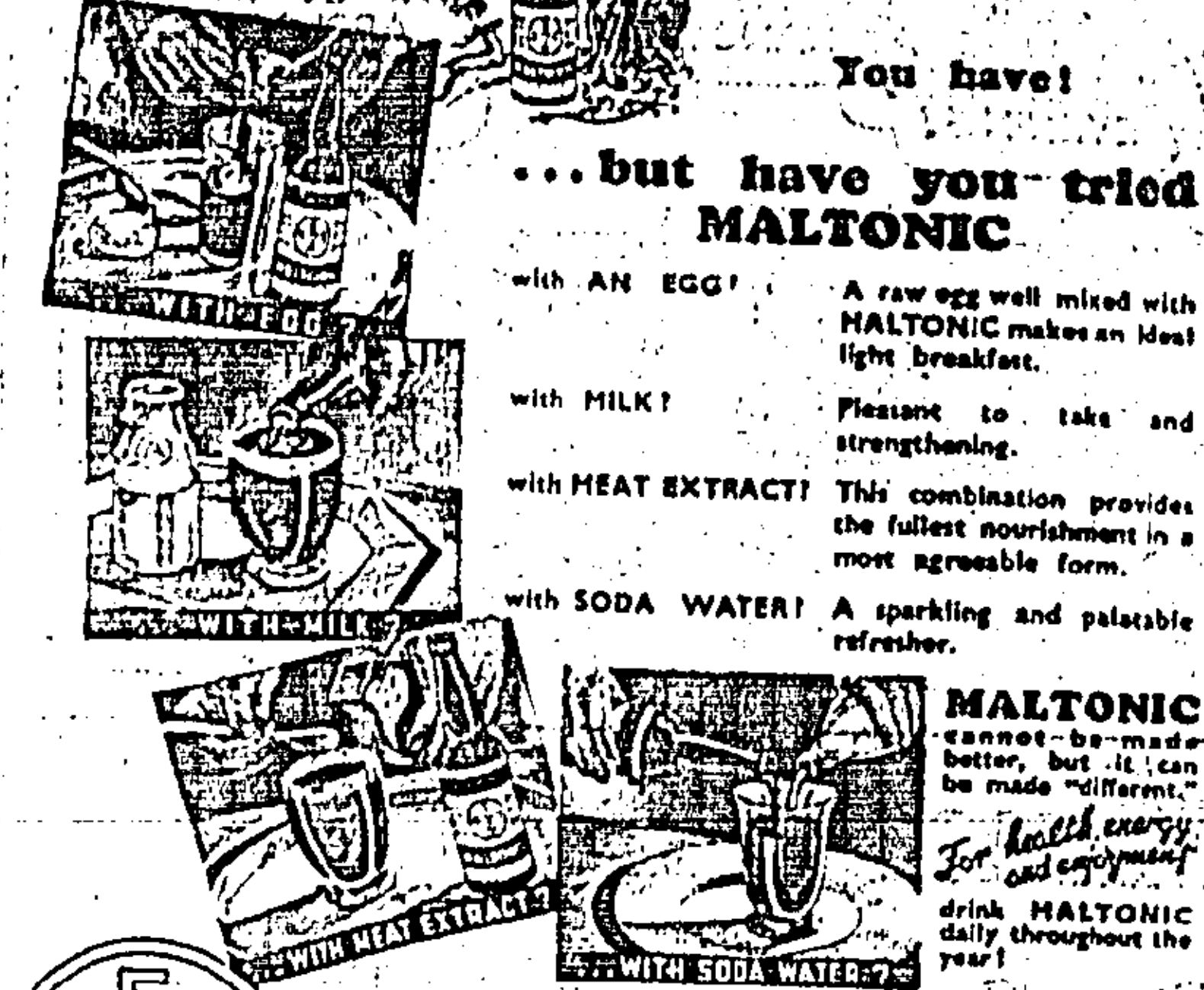
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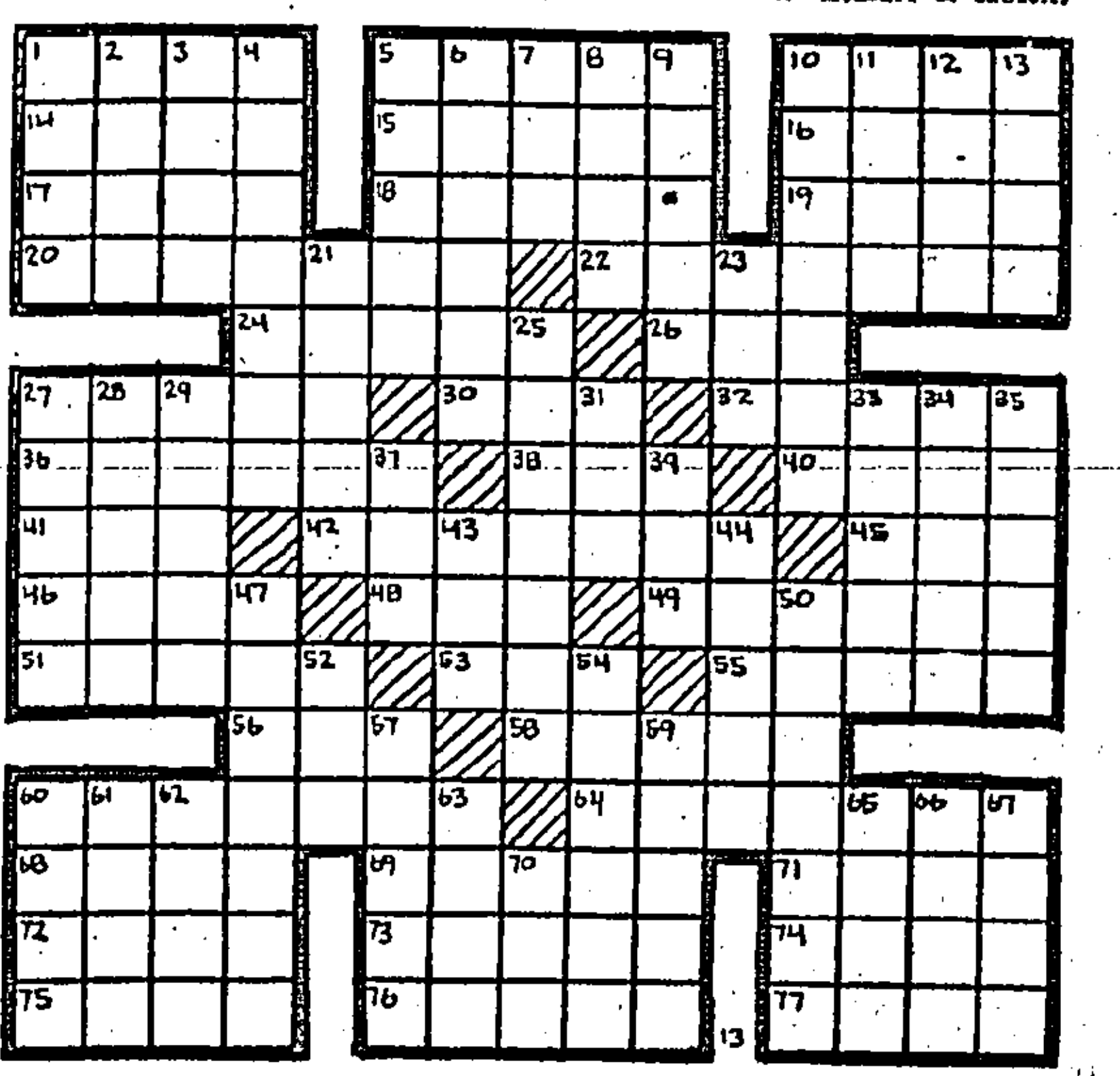
## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO  
PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS  
1—Diplomacy  
2—Wetted in water  
3—Tail of a fish  
4—Mohammedan feast  
5—To one side  
6—Paced  
7—A matured stage  
8—Odor  
9—Ancient Chinese flower-bottle  
10—Character with soda-water  
11—Prophetic signs  
12—Become liable to  
13—Part of head  
14—Measure of weight  
15—Very cool (poetical)  
16—Christmas songs  
17—Three new-ball  
18—Jazz dinner  
19—South American alligator  
20—Variety of pigeon  
21—Tail tree  
22—Crumbs derived from insects  
23—Barren place  
24—African antelope  
25—Soak fibrous plants  
26—Swelling  
27—Poor player  
28—Rolling part  
29—Preceiver  
30—Ball so elevated  
31—Point  
32—Above  
33—Change  
34—Shelter (obscure)

DOWN  
1—Unused matter  
2—Risks  
3—Cover transmits  
4—Gifted name  
5—Prevent from acting  
6—1000-year king  
7—Filled with stones  
8—Duffin; fruit drabs  
9—Tint at  
10—Cart  
11—Comforter  
12—Capitular objection  
13—Scene of action  
14—And not  
15—Provided with  
16—Toughen by use  
17—Mark hollow to  
18—Sole  
19—Sleeping couch  
20—Part of railroad  
21—Small title of respect  
22—Faded  
23—Mastic  
24—Exploded shell  
25—Victory man  
26—Short and snappy  
27—Fast on  
28—Wickedness  
29—Smoothly breathing  
30—Wild yellow plum  
31—Scattered  
32—All time  
33—Orange official  
34—Measure of capacity



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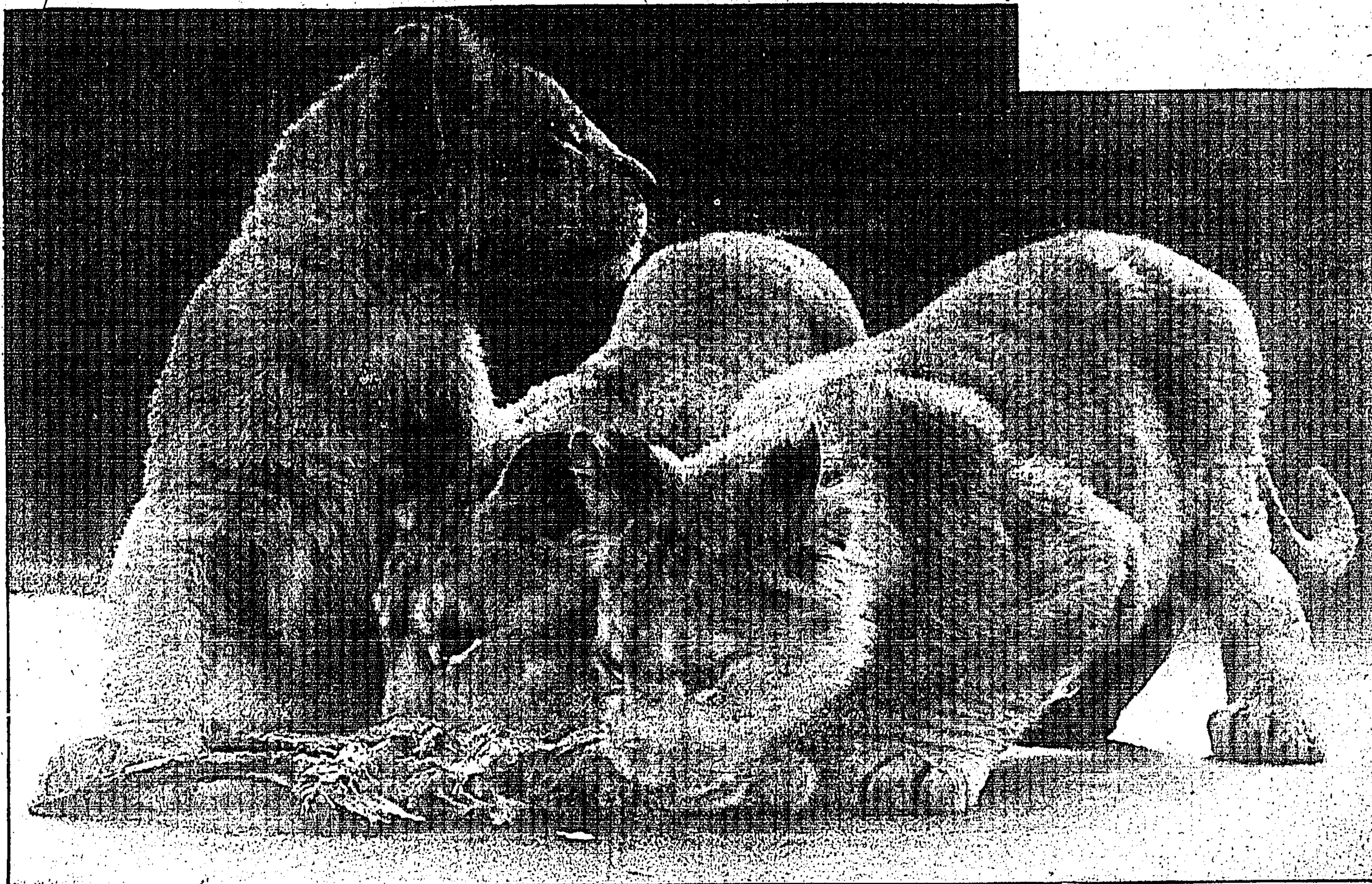
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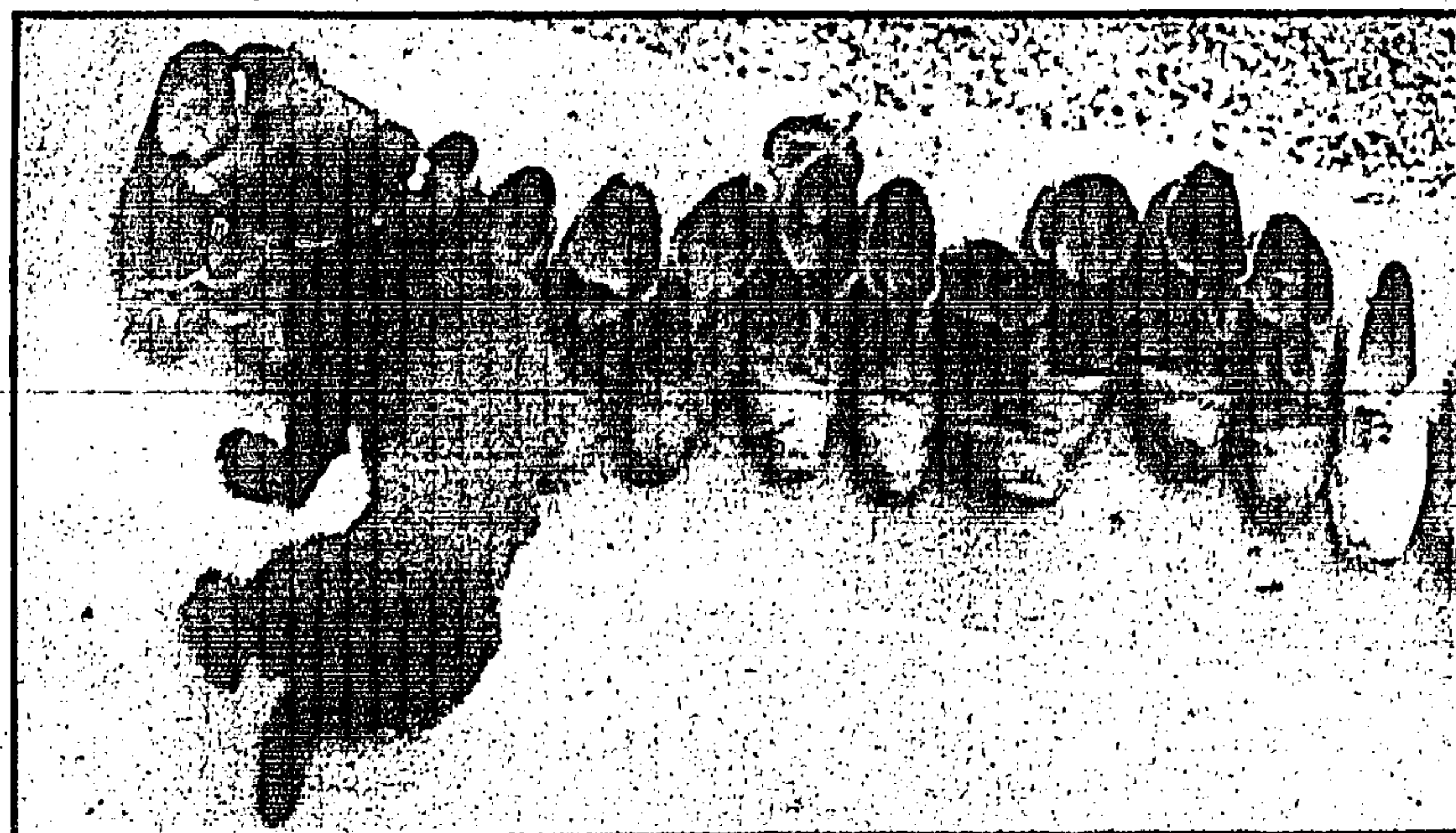
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WE hear and see a lot of boat race crews in the limelight of rehearsal on the tideway, but what happens in the wings, so to speak, is not so generally known.

H. P. V. Massey, diminutive Cox of the Oxford crew, finds his duties interfere with his golfing, so he consoles himself (above, right) by practising chip shots from a table top into a wastepaper basket.

Owners of the shoes above are on the water in the Cambridge boat. The dog ensures that their shoes are still available when they return to dry land.



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The wedding took place last week at the Church of Christ the King, Shanghai, of Mr. Frank Hillon, younger son of Mr. Richard Hillon of Liverpool, and the late Mrs. Hillon, and Miss Nora Knox, eldest daughter of Mr. Richard Knox, of Shanghai, and the late Mrs. Knox.

At the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Pulau Tikus, recently, Mr. William Hillon, the Sarawak Oilfields, Miri, and Miss Dorothy Carrier, the younger daughter of Mrs. A. C. Carrier, were joined in holy matrimony.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Van Hooft, barrister-at-law, to Miss Pul Chee-kwok, of 99 Robinson Road; Mr. George Lay, broker, to Miss Isabel Chan, of 27 Kent Road, Kowloon; and Mr. Lau Pik-fan, factory manager, to Miss Lai Lau-yu, of 40 Tai Po Road, Shamshuipo.

**YENCHING ALUMNI**

Local Body Entertains Visiting Professor

The Yenching University Alumni Association in Hongkong met yesterday evening at the Y.W.C.A. to entertain Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, President of the Yenching University. Dr. Stuart came to Hongkong from Peking to attend the joint conference of the Christian Universities in China and the annual meeting of the China Foundation for the Promotion of Education and Culture, both of which have just been concluded.  
More than 80 men and women alumni, including Professor Hsu Tsi-shan, of Hongkong University, were present. Dr. Stuart reported on the latest conditions of Yenching University at the party. The eminent educator will stay in Hongkong for a few days more after which he will leave for Chungking, via Haiphong and Kunming.—Central News.

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## Interference To Reception Of Daventry

DURING recent months, the causes of certain types of interference on frequencies used by Daventry have aroused some speculation among listeners and in the Press. This article, specially prepared for the use of the Overseas Press by the Engineering Division of the BBC, deals with this subject, and describes some of the many types of interference that may affect short-wave services.

THE BBC IS VITALLY INTERESTED in the question of securing clear channels for the Empire Service, and maintains a constant watch at its receiving station at Talsfield, Kent, on all the Daventry frequencies. As a result of this work, it can be said that no cases of deliberate interference to Daventry have been observed.

That interference to one or other of the frequencies used by Daventry does occur from time to time is admitted, but in view of the vast number of stations, both broadcasting and commercial, operating on wavelengths below 50 metres, a certain amount of trouble is almost inevitable.

Interference occurs, for example, when adjacent stations attempt to work too close together—i.e., with less than a ten kilocycles per second separation between their respective frequencies. This point, however, is appreciated by all broadcasting authorities, and it is hoped that this essential 10 kc/s separation between adjacent channels can be maintained in the future.

Probably the most common cause of interference is the incorrect operation of the transmitter causing the interference, and the trouble can take two forms: (a) the radiation of strong harmonics, and (b) the operation of the transmitter on a frequency other than its correct or notified frequency. Interference from either of these causes is generally observed by the Talsfield station, and representations are then made by the BBC to the authority concerned. On practically all occasions a cure is effected.

### A RECENT CURE

Listeners may have noticed that serious noise interference to GSI, 15.20 Mc/s, in Transmission 1 has been cured. This interference was due to a commercial transmitter, actually working on its correct frequency of 7.63 Mc/s, radiating a strong second harmonic on 15.20 Mc/s. The station was identified, and after representations to the authorities concerned, alterations were made at the transmitter that suppressed the trouble.

The interference caused by stations working on frequencies other than their notified ones is rather more common. With the technical developments in transmitter design, however, a general reduction in this type of interference can be expected.

Another type of interference has also been observed in which, although the interference is mainly experienced by the station on the channel adjoining one of the Daventry frequencies, some interference, owing to the type of modulation used, is also caused to the Daventry frequency in question. It is rather difficult to deal with interference of this type, but, fortunately, as far as the Empire Service is concerned, serious examples are very few.

It must be remembered, however, that it is possible for the receiving set used to be the cause of what appears to be interference. A receiver in which the "image signal rejection" is insufficient will allow a commercial station, working on its correct frequency—often widely different from the broadcasting station frequency—to cause severe interference to the broadcasting station. A more detailed explanation of this point is given in the pamphlet "Receiving the Empire Service," a copy of which will be sent, post free, to any listener who applies to the BBC.

Another type of interference for which the receiver is primarily to blame is caused by insufficient adjacent-channel selectivity—the set being incapable of receiving the wanted station clear of stations immediately adjacent, though their frequencies are 10 kc/s different from that of the wanted station. This question of adjacent-channel selectivity is assuming more importance with the increase in power of modern short-wave broadcasting stations.

Reports dealing with cases of interference to Daventry are greatly valued by the BBC, especially if any identifying clue—such as the call-sign of the offending station—can be given.

## I.R.A. Threat To Britain

Dublin. A statement by the "Army Council" of the I.R.A., which was read in Dublin recently, stated that activities of the "expeditionary force" in Britain had been carried through with a degree of success.

This statement also called for the abolition of partition in Ireland, and absolute separation from England. It added that recognition of the separate nationality of Scotland and Wales had already been accorded by the I.R.A., and therefore activities by the I.R.A. were being confined to England.

This statement was read at an I.R.A. parade to commemorate the 1916 Easter rising in Dublin. The parade was closely watched by the police, but there were no incidents.

GOVERNMENT PARADE Mr. de Valera, Prime Minister, and some of his Ministers also marched with former comrades in arms recently in a Government parade, and laid a wreath on the graves of executed leaders at Arbour Hill. Volleys were fired and the "Last Post" was sounded.

A third procession was made up of units of the old I.R.A., which laid wreaths on the memorial in the Post Office in O'Connell-street where the "ising broke out."

Here the Republican proclamation of 1916 was read. A statement from the national executive of the old I.R.A., which, although it criticises the Government, is distinct from the present-day I.R.A., said that Ireland should preserve neutrality in any European war.

Such a course would, however, be made more difficult by the continuance of relations with Britain. It should re-establish the Irish Republic and demand the withdrawal of British forces and subsidies from Northern Ireland.

"Following the re-establishment of the Republic," the statement added, "immediate steps should be taken to build up the largest possible military force with a view to the recovery of our national territory."

## Cinema Goes By Sledge

DOGS are taking the cinema to inhabitants of Yakutia, in the Soviet's Asiatic territories, some of whom have never seen a film before. Citizen Kondratov, a Soviet cinema mechanic, has just completed a 1,050 miles journey with a mobile cinema on sledges pulled by teams of dogs. He stopped at winter settlements and set up his apparatus in log cabins.

## Society 210 Years Old

PHILADELPHIA. The Welsh Society of Philadelphia has celebrated its 210th anniversary. It is accredited as the oldest social and benevolent organization in the United States.

## LOCAL WEDDINGS

Dr. Raymond H. Tseng And Miss Lily Lee

An interesting Chinese wedding was solemnised at All Saints' Church, Kowloon, on Saturday when Rev. K. N. Tsang united in marriage Dr. Raymond H. Tseng and Miss Lily Lee.

The bride, who is a school teacher and member of the Church choir, is an active religious and social welfare worker.

The bridegroom gained his B. A. degree in Chemistry at Grinnell College, Iowa; M. A. degree in Industrial Chemistry at Oberlin College, Ohio; and Ph. D. in Chemical Engineering at the Ohio State University, Columbus, U.S.A. He returned to China in August, 1934, to take up his post of Professor of Chemistry at the University of Shanghai, and is now a chemist of the China Vegetable Oil Corporation, Hongkong.

Mr. S. L. Woo, a graduate of the University of Shanghai, acted as best man.

## AT THE REGISTRY

This wedding took place at the Registry on Saturday between Mr. Charles Mr. Henri Lauri and Miss Phoebe Minna Hayes. Both are well-known in Shanghai.

The bride, who is generally known as Helen Hayes, is an authoress, and daughter of Mr. William Arnold Hayes. She recently arrived from Shanghai.

The bridegroom, who was formerly an adviser to the Chinese Government, was the sole beneficiary under the will of his mother-in-law, Lady Bredon, of Chuan Pan, Hutung, Peking, widow of Sir Robert Bredon, formerly Deputy Inspector-General of the Imperial Maritime Customs in China.

## OTHER WEDDINGS

Mr. Gould officiated at two other weddings at the Registry on Saturday.

Mr. Kwan Poon-lap, merchant, married Miss Wong Kit-yu, of Sun Wai Road. The witnesses were Mrs. S. L. Wong and Mr. H. K. Woo.

Mr. Wong Cheong-wan, teacher, took as his bride, Miss Wong Gee-tit, teacher, residing at Fa Yuen Street, Mongkok. The witnesses were Messrs. Wong Chong-jit and Wong Cheong-sai.

## LATE NEWS

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A fine programme is arranged for the forthcoming St. John Ambulance Ball on Friday, April 28 at the Hongkong Hotel from 8.30 p.m. to 2 a.m.

The Lambeth Walk and the Follies Glide will be included amongst the dances.

The following Cabaret Show has been arranged:

Miss Daisy O'Keefe's Pupils in the Blue Danube Waltz; Miss Gloria Yee and Thomas Lee, the winners of the Hongkong Ball Room Championships for 1939; Mrs. Percy Chen in the famous Mei Lan Fong Sword Dance; Miss Azalea Reynolds in a Ballet Dance; Miss Eva Turner—Soloist and Colleen Ng—Crooner.

The souvenir programme is both attractive and instructive. Tickets are 50 (including Dinner).

Please book tables early, either at the Hongkong Hotel, or through the St. John Ambulance Headquarters.

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NATURALISATION FEE

New Scale of Charges Now In Force

The following table of fees charged under the British Nationality and Status of Aliens Ordinance is now in force:

Certificate of naturalisation to a woman who was a British subject previously to her marriage to an alien, \$4.

Certificate of naturalisation in other cases, \$100.

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## HITLER RECEIVES REPLIES

"The Bully Is Not Bullying Us"

BERLIN, Apr. 23.  
IT IS UNDERSTOOD that Herr Hitler intends to mention the replies of the small nations to his questionnaire when he makes his speech at the Reichstag on Friday next.

Reliable quarters are unable to confirm the reports that discussions are soon to take place between the Axis powers, including military conversations between German, Italian and Spanish generals.

However, it is reported that Germany is planning a vigorous diplomatic campaign, particularly in South-eastern Europe, to consolidate the totalitarian position and to defeat the British and French efforts to form a "peace front."—United Press.

### Swiss Reply

Berne, Apr. 23.  
The Swiss Federal Council's reply to Hitler's questionnaire was that they "had no knowledge of President Roosevelt's intentions."

"The Federal Council relies on Swiss neutrality, which is protected by its own defensive forces, and which is expressly recognised by Germany and other neighbouring States as being respected."—United Press.

### Dutch Reply

The Hague, Apr. 23.  
Holland's exact reply to Hitler's questionnaire regarding President Roosevelt's message, is now known to have been as follows:

1.—The Dutch Government did not provoke President Roosevelt's message.

2.—The Dutch Government had no previous knowledge of the message.

3.—The Dutch Government does not feel threatened—but in the case of a European war Holland will be prepared for any eventuality.

### Other Replies

Berlin, Apr. 23.  
Finland, Greece, and Lithuania have communicated to Germany that they do not feel menaced by German aggression.—Domei.

## Broadcast To World Fair

### Halifax Talks Of Common Spheres

LONDON, Apr. 23.  
BROADCASTING to America and wishing success to the World's Fair in New York, Viscount Halifax said to-day:

"Let me remind you too, that in the material sphere, the work of our peoples brings mutual advantage. A prosperous America, and hence you are our best foreign customers, the converse also holds good."

The World's Fair would bring home that lesson, said Viscount Halifax. Later, in inviting his listeners to come to Britain, the Foreign Secretary said they would see "with what united resolution, to preserve our ancient liberties, institutions, everything that goes to make up our way of life, we are pursuing the great task of making Britain strong."—Reuter.

## Conscription Issue

### Cabinet Consideration At To-day's Meeting

LONDON, Apr. 23.  
THE QUESTION of conscription is likely to be raised at tomorrow's Cabinet meeting.

A memorandum on the subject will be submitted by a Minister, though it is possible no immediate decision will be reached.

The Cabinet will hear Sir John Simon's budget proposals, concerning which there is some anxiety lest the income-tax be increased, and sugar, tobacco and tea are mentioned as possible fresh sources of revenue.—Reuter.

The P. & O. liner "Rajputana" left Molt on Saturday and is due here on Wednesday at about 10 a.m.

## DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY IN EUROPE

# MANOEUVRES FOR BALKAN ALLIES

LONDON, APR. 23.  
SIR NEVILLE HENDERSON, THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO BERLIN, LEFT LONDON THIS AFTERNOON TO RETURN TO BERLIN.

While Sir Neville Henderson had not been expected to return to Berlin before May, well-informed circles emphasise that no political significance is attached to the fact that he is returning immediately.

It is understood that the French Ambassador will also return to Berlin in two or three days time.

To-day's *communiqué* on the Venice talks, states "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent, has been noted in London as a further indication of the line of friendship which is being developed between Yugo-Slavia and Italy.

### PRESSURE VERSUS PROMISES

According to foreign observers, Yugo-Slavia's attitude is governed by considerations that Axis pressure is stronger than promises from countries further afield.

Italy's interest in the Adriatic and in an integral Yugo-Slavia is a guarantee in face of possible pressure from the North.

The general antipathy of the Yugo-Slav people to the Axis is also stressed.

### LONDON TALKS

M. Gafencu, the Rumanian Foreign Minister will confer with Viscount Halifax to-morrow morning, and with Mr. Chamberlain in the afternoon.

## YUGO-SLAVS TO JOIN THE AXIS

### Reported Adherence To Anti-Comintern

ROME, Apr. 23.  
YUGO-SLAVIA will adhere to the anti-Comintern pact the Yugo-Slav Foreign Minister, M. Marovic, is understood to have replied to the Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, during the course of their conversations at Venice on Saturday.

The Yugo-Slav Foreign Minister also informed the Italian Foreign Minister that a non-aggression pact will be concluded between Yugo-Slavia and Hungary early in May, informed quarters further reveal.

Foreign Minister Ciano proposed three measures during his first conversation with the visiting Yugo-Slav Foreign Minister on Saturday. The three proposals are conclusion of a non-aggression pact between Yugo-Slavia and Hungary, Yugo-Slavia's accession to the anti-Comintern pact, and Yugo-Slavia's withdrawal from the League of Nations.

It is understood that Yugo-Slavia has agreed the British and French proposals for participation in the joint front against the German-Italian axis.—Domei.

### Aligned With Dictators

VENICE, Apr. 23.—Yugo-Slavia has been formally aligned with the dictators.

The Government has agreed "to intensify both political and economic collaboration with Italy and Germany" and to enter into a friendship pact with Hungary.

The official *communiqué* was issued to-day and brought to a climax Count Ciano's two-day conference with the Yugo-Slavian Foreign Minister.

It is understood that Count Ciano acted for both Italy and Germany, seeking to create a new Balkan bloc including Yugo-Slavia, Hungary and Bulgaria.—United Press.

### German Triumph

BERLIN, Apr. 24.—The results of the Yugo-Slav talks at Venice are viewed here as a triumph for the Axis powers, and a further success in their campaign to shatter the policy of encirclement.

Berlin morning papers carry headlines "Encirclement Agitators Turned Down," "Intervention Efforts Fail."—United Press.

It is expected that M. Gafencu will report on the progress of Rumanian contacts with Turkey, Poland, and the Balkan countries, and the German attitude.

Apparently the tenor of the German argument was that it was quite unnecessary for Rumania to join the anti-aggression bloc, that she had more to fear from joining with Russia than from Germany or Hungary, and that Germany would be prepared to guarantee Rumania's frontiers as Britain had done, provided Rumania did not make the pact reciprocal.

An earlier message says that M. Gafencu, after talks with M. Titulescu in Paris last night, arrived at Vienna at 5.20 p.m. to-day, accompanied by M. Tilen, the Rumanian Minister to London, who met him at Folkestone.

Viscount Halifax cordially greeted M. Gafencu on the platform, where the Polish and Turkish Ambassadors, the Greek Minister, and members of the Rumanian Legation were assembled.—Reuter.

### Venice Negotiations

Venice, Apr. 23.  
The following official statement was issued here to-day concerning the negotiations between Count Ciano the Italian Foreign Minister, and M. Markovitch, the Yugo-Slav Foreign Minister.

"In the course of conversations that took place in Venice on April 22 and 23, the Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, and the Yugo-Slav Foreign Minister, M. Markovitch, various questions interesting to the two neighbours and of mutual interest concerning the present situation and the recent events in Albania were discussed exhaustively.

"As a result, new, and particularly cordial relations are existing between Italy and Yugo-Slavia, a cordiality, that since the conclusion of the Belgrade pact which secured peace in the Adriatic Sea, and the respect of mutual interests, has grown stronger in all directions. It was agreed that co-operation between the two States, and between Germany and Yugo-Slavia, both in political and economic fields, should be intensified in order to promote the maintenance of peace, and to improve stability in the Danube basin.

"Regarding relations with Hungary, the Foreign Ministers examined together the situation created by recent events, and concluded with satisfaction that the trend was towards fruitful understanding between the two governments in Belgrade and Budapest."—Trans-Ocean.

### Malsky For London

LONDON, Apr. 23.  
M. Malsky, the Russian Ambassador to London, who is at present in London, will be at present in London.—PLEASE Turn To Page 4.



## Large-Scale Chinese Offensive Threatens Nanking, Chinkiang

CHUNGKING, Apr. 23.  
A LARGE-SCALE offensive against the Japanese in the Nanking-Chinkiang area began to-day, according to military despatches.

Chinese troops are advancing in three columns along the highway from Hangchow towards Nanking and Chinkiang, while another column, operating further east, is pushing towards Huchow (Wuhing) an important town on the south shore of Taihu Lake.

## CHINESE CAPTURE KAOAN

### Attack On Nanchang Now Possible

CHANGSHA, Apr. 24.  
THE RECAPTURE of strategic Kaoan, key-town on the Nanchang-Wantsai highway on the north Kiangsi front, was claimed by Chinese forces early yesterday morning.

About 600 Japanese troops in Kaoan were decimated by the Chinese forces during a fierce street fighting which followed the Chinese entry into the town. Large quantities of ammunition were seized from the enemy.

The recapture of Kaoan was achieved by a series of flanking movements by the Chinese forces which resulted in the re-occupation of all important heights outside the town on the afternoon of April 22. The Chinese concentrated their artillery fire on the north gate of Kaoan and after full twelve hours' pounding away blasted open a large gap through which their men poured in.

### Grenades Silence Guns

The Chinese stormed barbed wire positions of the Japanese and hurled hundreds of hand-grenades to silence the crackling of enemy machine-guns. Throughout the fighting, the Japanese were assisted by a squadron of planes which unloaded tons of heavy explosives on the Chinese forces but failed to turn back the assault.

### Push On Nanchang

Immediately on the recapture of Kaoan, the Chinese forces pushed on northward along the highway towards Nanchang and by yesterday morning had reached the city.

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ANZAC DAY will be observed to-morrow by the usual ceremony of laying a wreath on the Cenotaph steps in memory of members of the Australian and New Zealand Imperial Forces who fell during the great war. The ceremony will take place at 11 a.m.

## PRISON WARDER IN COURT

### Fined \$60 For Kowloon Spree

FINES totalling \$60 were inflicted on E. P. Hewett, a Prison Warden stationed at Stanley Prison, when he appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on charges of (a) common assault (b) behaving in a riotous manner (c) being under the influence of drink.

Hewett pleaded guilty to all three charges.

Sergt. Hemsley told the Magistrate, Mr. E. Himsforth, that Hewett was brought to the Mongkok Police Station at 9.30 p.m. last night by a Police Reservist. With him was a bus conductor named Ng Hing, who claimed that, when he asked defendant for his fare, defendant assaulted him.

"Defendant used very profane and abusive language at the Police Station, and he tried to jump out of the Charge Room dock," said Sergt. Hemsley.

### Examined At Hospital

"It was with the greatest of difficulty that he was restrained. He was taken to the Kowloon Hospital, where he was examined by Dr. PLEASE Turn To Page 4.

### Kan River Carnage

Shanghai, Apr. 23.  
Some 300 Japanese have met a tragic death in the Kan River at Shengmikai, about nine miles south-west of Nanchang.

The Japanese were crossing the river in five junks when they were caught in a cross fire from the Chinese gunboats operating on both banks. All the junks were sunk and the Japanese either killed by fire or drowned.—Central News.

### Big Air Raids

CHUNGKING, Apr. 23.  
It is reported here that there were 400 civilian casualties during the past two days when 18 Japanese bombers raided the city.

## Treaty Port May Revert To Chinese

HITHERTO unpublished photograph of Kongmoon, the West River treaty port around which heavy fighting is now in progress.

## BIG K'LOON ROAD PROJECT

### New Arterial Link Under Construction

A \$50,000 HIGHWAY project now under construction in Kowloon will provide, when completed, a main vehicular road in the built-up area second in importance only to Nathan Road.

The plan consists of the extension of Argyle Street to Sai-kong Road.

When it is completed Kowloon City, Kai Tak, upper Prince Edward Road and the Customs Pass road will be linked directly to Mongkok and Yau-mat by a wide roadway capable of carrying four lanes of speedy traffic.

In addition to providing faster vehicular communications between Nathan Road and the eastern areas of the mainland, the new highway will considerably relieve congestion on the Chatham Road and Prince Edward Road routes.

From Nathan Road the new route will proceed to Kowloon City along Waterloo Road to Argyle Street, and thence along Argyle Street to Sai-kong Road.

### New Bus Routes

The "Telegraph" understands that at least two motor-bus routes will be diverted from Prince Edward Road to Argyle Street when the scheme is completed. One of these bus routes will be from Yau-mat Ferry to Kowloon City, the second from the Star Ferry to Kowloon City.

Existing methods of traffic control at the Nathan-Waterloo Road and Waterloo Road-Argyle Street junctions may have to be augmented when the Argyle Street extension is completed.

### Removing A Hill

Extension of Argyle Street to Kowloon City necessitates the entire removal of a large hill at Sai-kong Road.

The rock and earth from this hill, which is being removed by hand, is being used for a large reclamation scheme in the vicinity of the Kowloon City Police Station.

The opening of the Argyle Street area to through traffic has been responsible for remarkable building developments in the area east of Waterloo Road.

Thirty-six flats are under construction opposite the Kowloon Hospital for Mr. Eu Tong-sen, the well-known millionaire, eighteen of these flats being already occupied by tenants.

In addition Humphreys Estates Ltd. are now constructing a further eighteen flats.

On the opposite side of the road to these new buildings a large area has been reclaimed for extensions to the Kowloon Hospital, which will commence this year.

A further site has been prepared for a Mental Hospital, next door to the Kowloon Hospital.

## LATEST

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## MEDITERRANEAN UNITS FOR EASTERN CRUISE

MAITA, Apr. 23.—It is officially announced that several units of the Mediterranean fleet are leaving here on Wednesday for a cruise in the eastern Mediterranean.

The units comprise the first battle squadrons, without the battleship *Ramilles*, the first cruiser squadron, without the cruiser *Sussex*, the aircraft-carrier *Glorious*, and three destroyer flotillas.—Reuter.



## When Mrs. Chamberlain Gives A Party—

## MACHINE COUNTS GUESTS AT NO. 10

THE young mother of a baby of six months stood in No. 10, Downing-street recently and shook hands more than a thousand times with arriving and departing guests.

Near her stood a man in evening dress holding a tiny gleaming object which clicked unobtrusively as each guest entered.

The hostess was Mrs. Stephen Lloyd, the Premier's daughter; the man was Mr. Dunn, one of the King's Marshals, and the gleaming object was a comptometer which he was using to keep a record of the number of the guests.

Mrs. Stephen Lloyd was deputising for her mother-in-law in bed with an attack of influenza—at Mrs. Chamberlain's last political "At Home" of the season.

**EFFICIENCY**  
After shaking hands for nearly two hours, she sat down to rest—and for the first time noticed the comptometer.

She was surprised to see that its dial recorded the figure 617—and there were more guests to come.

The little instrument which recorded the arrival of famous M.P.s and their constituents—some of them women from humble homes—was another example of Mrs. Chamberlain's efficiency as a hostess.

She had ordered its use at receptions so that she might know exactly how many guests had arrived at any given moment.

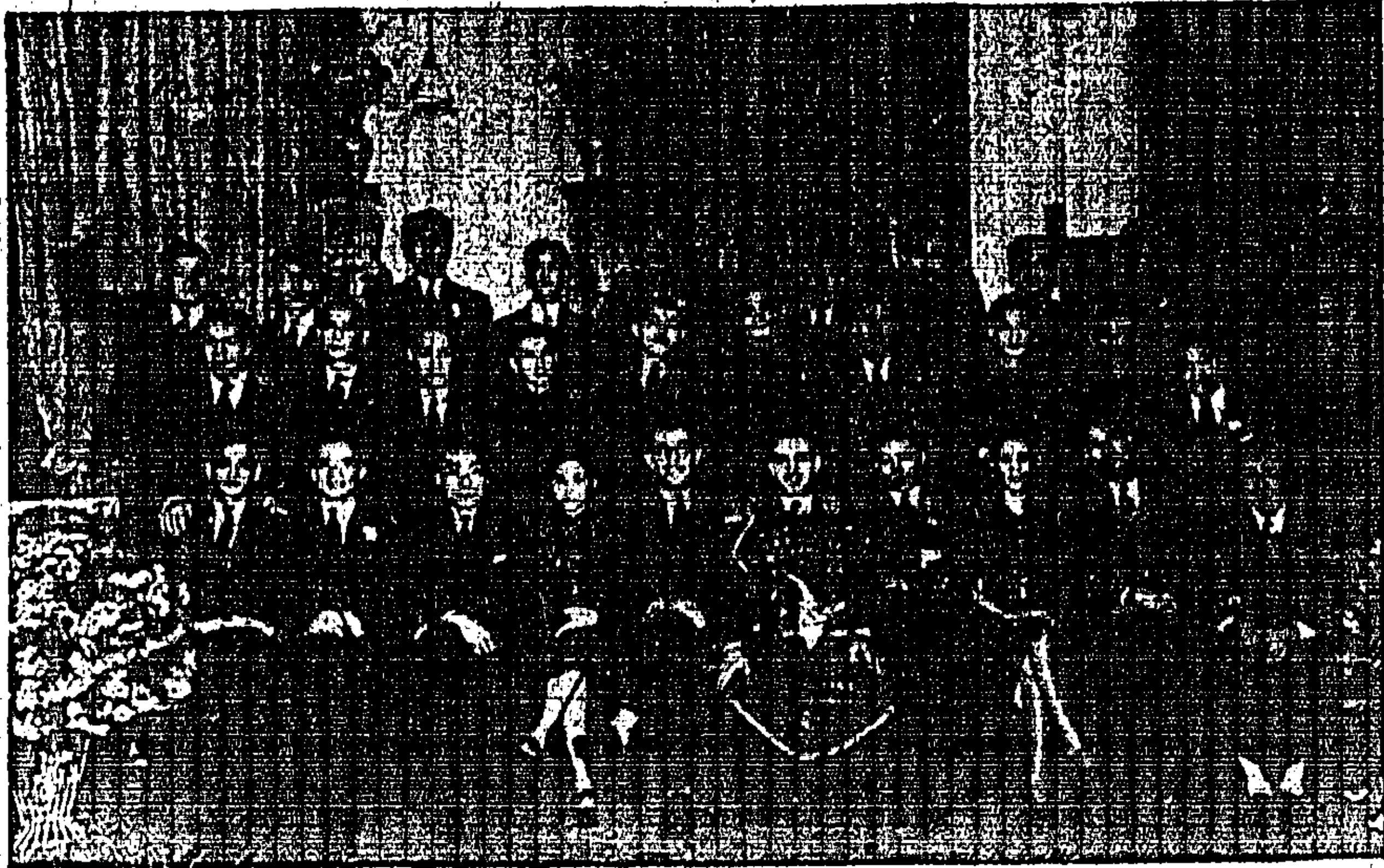
This information is valuable in arranging for the service of tea and refreshments at the buffet—all of which is carried out by her own staff.

Mrs. Lloyd, in a simple short-sleeved, short-skirted frock of slate-blue angora, was cheerful as ever after two hours of handshaking.

"I don't feel tired though my hand is a little sore," she said.

She is on a short visit to London from her home in Birmingham.

Mr. Chamberlain, extraordinarily alert, stood beside her for more than an hour, shaking hands with the guests.



Group photograph taken at a recent farewell party given by members of the staff of the Wiseman Cafe to Mr. D. A. Webb, retiring manager—Ming Yuen.

## Royal Armoured Corps Formed

Mr. Hore-Bellisha, the War Minister, announced in the House of Commons recently that it had been decided to form a Royal Armoured Corps.

In this corps would be associated the 18 mechanised Regular cavalry regiments and the Regular and Territorial units of the Royal Tank Corps.

It would have precedence in the Army immediately before the Royal Regiment of Artillery. The cavalry regiments would retain their existing designations, and the Royal Tank Corps would be redesignated the Royal Tank Regiment.

The decision had been taken because all regiments of cavalry of the Line except the Royal Dragoons and the Royal Scots Greys had been, or were being, re-equipped with armoured vehicles.

## INCREASED EFFICIENCY

The formation of the new corps would enable similarly equipped units to be similarly trained and administered with increased military efficiency.

Mr. Hore-Bellisha also stated that it was proposed to train a sufficient number of Army reservists to meet immediate requirements in the event of an emergency. This year 16,000 men would be trained.

Their calling up would place a certain inconvenience on industry, and the Government appealed to employers to assist by offering every facility.

It would be a scandal if any of these men lost their jobs while they were doing service for the country.

## Interference With British Trade In China

A NUMBER of questions were asked in the House of Commons recently relating to different instances of continued Japanese interference with legitimate British commercial interests in the Far East:—

Commander Marsden asked the Prime Minister whether the representations made by His Majesty's Government to the Japanese Government on 14th January, respecting the re-opening of the Yangtze River to commercial traffic, have had any effect?

Mr. Butler: The position remains unchanged, but we are continuing to press for the early restoration of normal trading conditions.

Commander Marsden asked the Prime Minister what has been the practical effect on trade with North China of the regulations imposed at the instance of the Japanese Government, under which, since 11th March, a high proportion of the export trade of North China is prohibited unless the foreign exchange proceeds are sold against Federal Reserve bank notes at 1s. 2d.; and what answer has been received from the Japanese Government to the protest of His Majesty's Government?

Mr. Butler: These regulations have resulted in the cessation of practically all the foreign trade of Tientsin, and, so far as my Noble Friend is aware, of other North China ports as well. We are still awaiting the Japanese Government's reply.

Mr. R. Morgan asked the Prime Minister whether, with regard to the action of the Japanese Government in restricting exports from North China to those financed through

Japanese-controlled banks, he has yet taken a decision on the practicability of prohibiting the entry into British or Crown Colony ports of all exports from North China unless accompanied by a consular certificate that they have been financed through a British, American, or French bank?

Mr. Butler: The proposal to which my hon. Friend refers is being examined in common with the general question of the protection of British interests in China. I cannot say at present what decision will be reached.

Major Stourton asked the Prime Minister whether the representations of His Majesty's Government to the Japanese Government relating to the seizure and confiscation by the Japanese of the British-owned cotton mill at Chuan-Teh, on the Soochow Creek, have yet secured the restoration of the mill to its lawful owner; and if not, whether he will introduce legislation to authorise the impounding of securities in this country belonging to the Japanese Government to the value of British-owned property in China wrongfully seized by the Japanese authorities?

Mr. Butler: My Noble Friend is at present awaiting further information from His Majesty's Ambassador in China as to the present position in regard to the Chuan-Teh and other cotton mills occupied by Japanese at Shanghai.

## Man Vanished On Arctic Island After Wreck

HULL.  
AN extraordinary story of a "very tall" man who, after being seen walking on the beach of an uninhabited Arctic island, vanished and could not be found, was told at a Board of Trade inquiry here recently.

The inquiry concerned the loss of the Hull trawler San Sebastian, with the whole of her crew of 16, when she struck the rocks on September 29 last on the coast of an island near the Bear Island fishing grounds, south of Spitzbergen.

Reynolds Henry Broomhead, skipper of the Grimsby trawler Mildenhall, told the Court that he arrived on the scene after receiving wireless messages from the San Sebastian, but other ships had reached the scene before him.

He stayed with his mate, watching for any sign of life aboard the San Sebastian.

**FIVE SAW THE MAN**  
His mate looked towards the shore and saw a man walking along on the low-lying parts above the beach. Witness looked through his glasses. The man was very tall.

The Wreck Commissioner: "Could you see how this man was dressed?"  
"No, I could not, but I was under my observation and there were three of my crew for some time."  
Wreck Commissioner: "There are no other inhabitants on the island but the two wireless operators at the radio station?"  
"No, and they never left the wireless station until after the search parties had got ashore and seen them. It is a puzzle to me."

Wreck Commissioner: "Are you sure you have not made a mistake?"  
"No, I should be more comfortable in my mind if I thought there had been the possibility of a mistake, but there is no mistake."

Skipper James Myers, of the trawler Cape Ender, said he went to the scene and altogether five other trawlers got within sight of the wreck, but they could not get any boats launched as it would have been suicide for the men to have volunteered to go into them.

**"LIGHTS FAILING"**  
Later a party from his ship and also the skipper of another trawler and some of his crew managed to land. They found no sign of life on the island except the two wireless operators. They found five wooden huts empty.

Evidence of dramatic wireless messages from the San Sebastian when she struck was given.

One of the last messages was: "Lights are failing. Compasses unreliable. Do not attempt to come in."

## 14-In. Gun For Battleship

London.  
The effective range of the latest 14-inch armour-piercing shell, as measured by the perforation of any given thickness of armour material, exceeds that of the 15-inch shell in spite of the reduction in calibre. This statement was made by Major A. B. H. Clerke, joint managing director of Hadfields, Ltd., at their Annual General Meeting, and was, he said, an effective answer to the criticism made by the Admiralty of the adoption of the 14-inch gun for the first five battleships. Speaking of profits, Major Clerke said that the rate was fixed between the firm and the Government Department, so that all saving of cost passed automatically to the Government. On hardened shells and bombs alone the saving to the Government had amounted to over £300,000.

## PIG WEARS SPLINT

HINSDALE, Mass.  
A little piglet was given a respite from the slaughterhouse, even though it suffered a broken leg. Its owner, remembering Harry Freshler's success in setting his police dog's broken leg, took the piglet to him rather than to a market. All dressed up with a splint, the pig's happy.

## WOMAN MEDIUM TO RETURN £400

SEANCES OF SPIRITUAL healing conducted by a widow, and the part played by a dead North American Indian were described in the King's Bench Division.

Mr. F. W. Chennells, of Browning-road, Manor Park, Essex, and Miss Emmeline Dodd, of Leigh Hall-road, Leigh-on-Sea, as executors of the estate of Miss Marjorie Dodd, sued Mrs. M. A. Bruce, of Leigh-on-Sea, for £400 alleged to have been obtained by fraud or undue influence.

The defence was that the money was a gift to Mrs. Bruce, who did not appear and was not represented.

## £1,500 DAMAGES

Mr. Noel Lindsay explained that after a road accident Miss Marjorie Dodd was unable to manage her affairs. She recovered £1,500 damages and died a year ago.

Mrs. Bruce was a widow who held herself out as a spiritualist medium and a person possessed of supernatural powers.

At the material time Miss Emmeline Dodd was a believer in spiritualism, and with the testatrix, attended seances conducted by Mrs. Bruce.

At one of these Mrs. Bruce, acting as a medium, represented that she was under the control of the departed spirit of a North American Indian of the name of Grey Feather, who was a benevolent spirit, and had provided Miss Marjorie Dodd with spiritualistic healing and advice as the result of which she had recovered £1,500.

## TRIP TO AUSTRALIA

Grey Feather was also purported to have expressed a wish that Mrs. Bruce, as medium, should receive part of that sum as reward.

After other seances a cheque for £400 was drawn in favour of Mrs. Bruce, who went with it on a holiday to Australia.

Giving evidence, Miss Emmeline Dodd said she did not now believe in Spiritualism.

Saying he was prepared to hold there had been fraud, Mr. Justice Hallett entered judgment for the plaintiffs for £400, as money received by Mrs. Bruce to the use of the testatrix, and for interest at 3½ per cent.

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F2020. By The Black Sea. Tango.  
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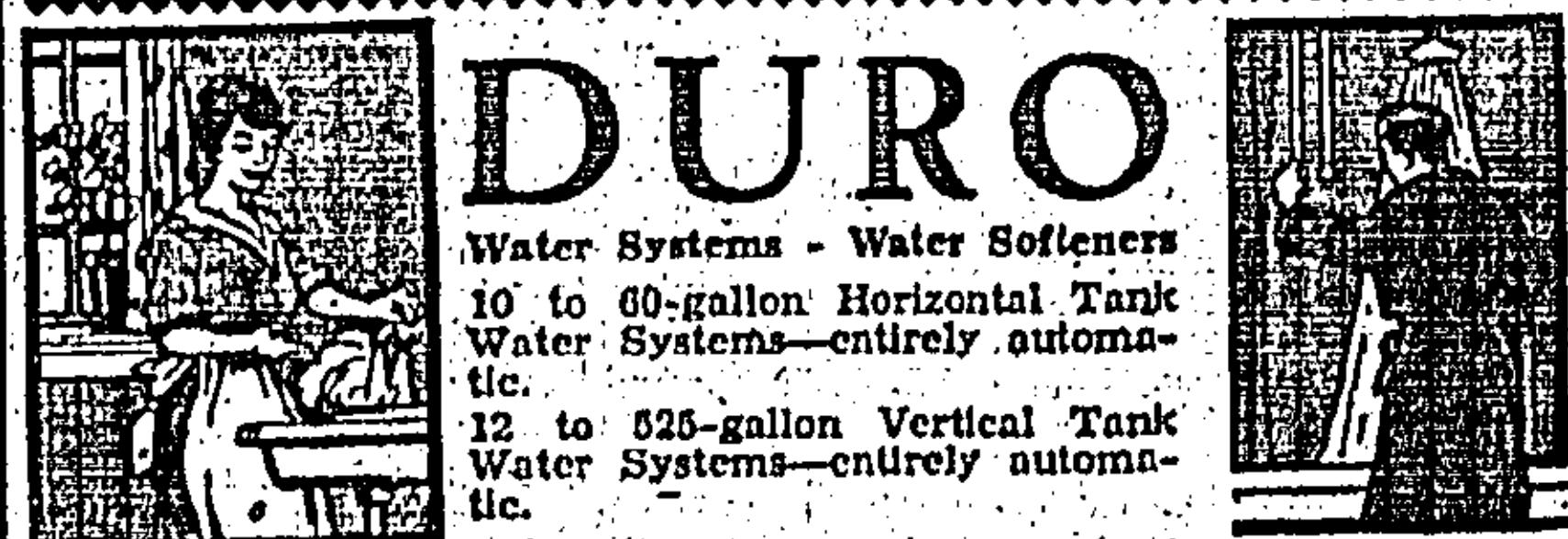
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The dozens of aerials—already a forest of poles and wires—will by the end of the month have been increased to a total of 31 arrays, each array of aerial and reflectors pointing in the direction of the particular part of the world to which the B.B.C. want to send a beam of radio energy.

This impressive series of radio stations has arisen from the original empire short-wave transmitter which was opened in 1932. The extensions begun last year make it bigger even than Germany's huge radio propaganda centre at Zeesen, near Berlin.

The two special transmitters for foreign language broadcasts, to help pay for which the Government made a grant of £103,000, are now finished and in full operation.

### EIGHT TRANSMITTERS

This means that Daventry now has five 50-kilowatt short-wave transmitters and three lower-powered ones.

There is also a long-wave transmitter operated by the B.B.C. for the Air Ministry's meteorological service. Throughout the day five of these transmitters are in use broadcasting British programmes, news and views in seven different languages to all parts of the world on as many as 16 different wave-lengths.

## They Want Shelters Before Town Hall

DEEP bomb-proof shelters are more important than a new town hall or street widening schemes in the opinion of a large number of Bedford's 50,000 inhabitants.

A petition to the Council is being organised and the town canvassed for signatures.

In several roads, it is reported, 90 per cent. of the residents have signed the petition, which states that ordinary town improvements should be suspended until the public has been provided with sufficient protection. Bedford is close to big R.A.F. stations—Cardington, Cranfield and Henlow.

### ACCEPTANCE REFUSED

Leeds authorities are faced with a new A.R.P. problem—householders who refuse to accept delivery of the Anderson steel shelters. In Leeds 150 people have so far refused shelters, although they had told officials they wanted them.

Glasgow children carried a cardboard version of the Anderson shelter at a protest meeting recently held by housewives of the High Post Corporation housing estate. The Housing Committee has agreed to suspend erection of the shelter for the time being, but the High Post residents want their shelters removed and damage to gardens repaired.

Southampton housewives appear to be taking kindly to the steel

shelters. An official said: "We have 1,050 shelters, about 400 of which have already been distributed."

### POWER OF BOMBS

The penetrative power of bombs is discussed in a memorandum appearing in the March issue of the "Journal of the Institution of Civil Engineers."

A 500lb. bomb might be expected to have a maximum depth of penetration of 2ft. 6in. in concrete of medium strength and a little over 20ft. in sand or gravel, it is stated.

The maximum vertical depth into the ground which could be reached by a 2,000lb. bomb is estimated as being unlikely to be more than 50ft. or 60ft.

### FLIER INVENTS THRILL

CLEVELAND, O.  
Mike Murphy, stunt flier is concocting a new thrill for National Air Race fans. He is building a plane named the "Cheek-to-Check," that will require two pilots. One will fly upside down part of the time.

## Baby Born In 60-m.p.h. Express

Neath.  
As the Irish express night boat train was travelling at 60 m.p.h. through West Wales on its journey from Fishguard to London an 11-year-old Midland girl travelling alone, gave birth to a baby boy.

Women passengers in the train hearing of the girl's condition went to her aid, and after calling the guard made an unsuccessful search for a doctor or a nurse.

The train stopped at Neath, Glamorgan. An ambulance was called, and the mother and child were hurried to hospital.

"Both came through the ordeal splendidly," a doctor at the hospital said.

### The Fleet's Films

By a film show on board the aircraft-carrier Ark Royal in Portsmouth harbour recently the Naval Film Corporation announced its existence to the Navy. This programme was made up of a new George Formby film and a new Disney cartoon—neither seen yet in London; it was certainly a fine omen of the treatment to be given to the Navy by the film industry under the new arrangement.

The Duke of Kent should have been there, had influenza not prevented him, but a film version of his speech had been made, and in this he very well explained the nature and purpose of the new organisation. It had been hard for the men on board even in the silent days; with the arrival of the talkies the price of equipment increased enormously and only those ships whose companies numbered a thousand had any opportunity of seeing a new film at all. But by the new corporation the Admiralty supplies the equipment to about 200 ships, and a ship's company—by a generous gesture on the part of the film-renters—can buy new films at the rate of 15d. per man per week for the lower deck and a proportionately higher rate for officers. The Navy, therefore, has now become one of the large exhibitors of the country.

The representatives of the film companies were on board to-night to receive their thanks, and the speeches of the (absent) Duke of Kent and of Lord Cork and Orrery, the Commander-in-Chief, Portsmouth, left no doubt of the benefit and pleasure that the men would derive from this new arrangement.

### Hen Changes Sex

TAIPING.  
TRUTH is stranger than fiction, and, believe it or not, there is in the possession of a Taiping resident a hen which has turned into a cock.

The proud owner, Mr. Lim Kok Heng, intends to exhibit the bird at the Chinese showy fair at the Coronation Park shortly.

Given to him a few months ago, the hen laid eggs, but after a few months Mr. Lim noticed a strange change coming over the bird. It stopped laying eggs and began to grow a prominent comb, until it looked like a cock and behaved like one. The hen has now completely changed its sex.

### Snail Soup Praised

SNAIL soup is good for you, says Mrs. M. E. Bradhurst, of Riverhall, near William, Essex, a keen collector of fresh-water shells.

She says that during the war a naval captain and his men, captured by savages, lived for 19 weeks on snails.



Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Welch leaving the Union Church after their wedding. The bride was formerly Miss Dorothy Dransfield-King's Studio.

## Pinchin, Johnson & Co. Company's High State Of Efficiency

The annual general meeting of Pinchin, Johnson & Co., Ltd., was held recently at the Hotel Victoria, London, S. W.

Mr. Edward Robson (the chairman) who presided, said: My lords, ladies and gentlemen, I now move that the report of the directors dated March 14, 1939, and the balance-sheet of Dec. now submitted to you, be, and the same are hereby received and adopted, and that a final dividend of the Ordinary shares for the year ending Dec. 31, 1938, of 5 p.c., less income-tax making with the interim dividend already paid, 12½ p.c. less tax, for the year, be declared and paid to the holders of the Ordinary shares on the register of the company at Mar. 18, 1939.

When I had the pleasure of addressing you a year ago, the prospect for a continuance of satisfactory dividend was quite definite, and at that time we had not appreciably felt the effect of the recession in trade that had in many industries then become apparent. In fact, for the first five months of the year our sales were well maintained. Subsequently, however, the recession began to make itself felt in our own business.

As you may imagine, the unfavourable conditions that developed were intensified by the serious international political disturbances that ensued in the early autumn. These joint factors affected not only the home industrial and trading position, but also reacted adversely in many of the overseas markets.

**RECOVERY FROM RECESSION**  
In November, however, a definite recovery set in, and, commencing with that month, sales not only substantially recovered, but in fact have shown an increase in each month to date this year over the corresponding period of the previous years. Unfortunately for the year 1938 the recovery started too late to make good the falling off in trading in previous months.

The decrease in profits is due entirely to the conditions to which I have referred, which have affected equally both the home trade and also our revenue from associated companies overseas.

Your directors have already referred in their report to the improvement of the position in Shanghai. In spite of the most difficult situation that has existed there for a long time past, it is gratifying to report that our China Company has been in possession of its factory for some months past, and it is pleasing to note that the company is now working at a profit.

For the past two years the industrial position in France has been unsatisfactory, and although profits have been earned by the French Company, no dividends have been received from this source. There has been in recent months a very definite improvement in the

general situation there, and your directors feel that the position in that market is now on the upgrade.

### FOREIGN MARKETS

Through the French company we are interested in a trading unit in Barcelona. In spite of the most terrible conditions that have existed in Spain, the Spanish factory unit has continued operations throughout the period, and I am pleased to tell you that the factory is intact, and the business there has operated at a profit, although, of course, it has not been possible for the parent company to reap any benefit from this source. From my references to these three markets you will appreciate how difficult the position has been, but with the hope—which I trust will in the near future be fulfilled—of a more ordered state of affairs, I believe they will again prove as satisfactory a source of revenue as in years gone by.

In view of the recurrence of political tension in Europe in the past week or two you will hardly expect me to attempt to anticipate very definitely the future prospects. It will perhaps be sufficient for me to say that, assuming the world does not have to face again the political troubles of the past year, or similar troubles that have so many times been anticipated, then this business should continue its course of recovery and improvement.

### FUTURE OUTLOOK

In other words, if world conditions are reasonably satisfactory, our own business is bound to progress, and I think a prudent man should not be justified in anticipating the future course of events beyond this. Our organisation, technically and industrially, is in a very high state of efficiency, and, given reasonably good world conditions, the future of our business should be in the direction of steady advancement.

Mr. C. G. Heywood (vice-chairman) seconded the resolution, which was carried unanimously.

The retiring directors were re-elected for the ensuing year, and the auditors were reappointed for 1939. The Chairman thanked his co-directors and staff for their excellent work during the past year, and said that the conditions of 1938 had been more than usually difficult. It reflected great credit upon the management and staff that they had been able to accomplish such satisfactory results in spite of those conditions.

Mr. R. Patridge replied, and the proceedings terminated after a hearty vote of thanks to the chairman, proposed by Mr. William C. Howard.

### STEELE NOW BOXING COACH

OLYMPIA, Wash.  
The world's former middleweight boxing champion, Freddie Steele, has become the boxing coach at St. Martin's college near here.

## Lovers Die In A Church

DEAL.  
A COURTING couple were found dead recently in the furnace-room of the village church at Ripple, near here.

They were Arthur Hewitt, aged 19, sexton of the church, and Eileen Forrest, aged 22.

It is thought that they had gone into the furnace-room to shelter from

the cold wind and rain and had been overcome by fumes.

Mrs. Hewitt discovered that morning that her son had not been home all night, and searched the village for him.

Going at last to the church, she looked through the window of the furnace-room and saw her son and his sweetheart seated side-by-side.

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4 m/s L/c U.S.A.	29
4 m/s France	11 1/2
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U.S. Cross rate in Lon.	4.60

## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS	
H.K. Banks	1,370 s.
H.K. Banks Lon.	80 1/2 n.
Chartered	7 1/2 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	27 n.
Mercantile, C.	13 n.
East Asia	60 n.
INSURANCES	
Canton	220 b.
Unions	440 n.
China Underwriter	1,300 sa.
H.K. Fire	180 n.
SHIPPING	
Douglas	70 b.
Steamships	10 sa.
Indo-China, P.	60 n.
Indo-China, S.	24 n.
Shell Bearers	01/3 n.
Waterboats	840 n.
DOCKETS ETC.	
Wharves	100 b.
Docks	10 1/2 b. & sa.
Providents	4.60 sa.
New Eng. Sh.	0.70 n.
Sha. Docks, Sh.	101 1/2 n.
MINING	
Kailan s/-	17/- n.
Ratbs	8.55 sa.
Yenz. Goldfield	3 n.
Hongkong Mines	4 n.
Antamoks Ps.	32 sa.
Atoks Ps.	30 1/2 sa.
Bagulo Gold Ps.	11.00 sa.
Benguet Cons Ps.	33 sa.
Coco Grove Ps.	33 sa.
Demonstrations Ps.	33 sa.
L.C.L. Ps.	33 sa.
Itorgns Ps.	33 sa.
Camarines Ps.	33 sa.
San Maricelo Ps.	33 sa.
Suyoc Consols Ps.	33 sa.
Paracales Ps.	33 sa.
LANDS	
Hotels	5 1/2 sa.
Lands	104 n.
Lands 4 1/2 deb.	8.40 n.
Shal Lands Sh.	8.40 n.
Humphreys	8.65 n.
H.K. Realities	4 b.
Chinese Estates	102 n.
UTILITIES	
Peak Tram (old)	10 1/4 b.
Peak Tram (new)	14 n.
Star Ferries	65 sa.
Y. Ferries (old)	25 n.
Y. Ferries (new)	24 n.
China Lights (old)	8 1/4 sa. & n.
China Lights (new)	5 1/4 sa.
H.K. Electric	17 n.
Macao Electric (s/-)	12 n.
Sandakan Lights	22 1/2 n.
Telephones (old)	7 1/4 n.
Telephones (new)	7 1/4 n.
Tractions s/-	21/- n.
Tractions (Pref.) s/-	21/- n.
INDUSTRIAL	
Cald. Macg. (ord.)	14 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pre.)	13 n.
Canton Ices	1 b.
Cement	12 1/2 b.
H.K. Ropes	3.60 n.
STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms (ex. ris.)	20 1/2 b.
Dairy Farms (ris.)	14 1/2 n.
Watsons	7 1/4 n.
Lane Crawford	8 n.
Sincere	1.80 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	4 n.
Powell, Ltd.	41 n.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh.	20.30 n.
Shal Cotton Sh.	105 n.
Zoong Singsh, Sh.	30 n.
Wing On Textile Sh.	40 n.
MISC.	
H.K. Entertainment	6 1/2 b.
Constructions	14 1/2 n.
Vibro Piling	7 sa.
Chi Govt. 5% 1925	102 1/2
C.S. Bonds	62 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 4 1/2% Loan 3 1/2% prem.	104 n.
H.K. Govt. Loan 3 1/2% prem.	104 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) s/-	13 1/2 n.
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New York, Apr. 23.—The death is reported here to-day of Mr. Julian Thompson, aged 60, from influenza. It was Mr. Thompson's investigation, as Secretary of McKesson Robbins, which led to the recovery of the ship of the company and the suicide of Donald Coeter, alias Philip Musica.—United Press.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

The Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held in the Company's Office, P. & O. Building, 5th Floor, on Wednesday, 26th April, 1939, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 22nd April, to Wednesday, 26th April, 1939, both days inclusive.

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### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES AND UNDERWRITERS

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R. OHL,  
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Hongkong, the 20th April, 1939.

## U.S. Flagship To Depart

The U.S.S. Augusta, flagship of the U.S. Asiatic Squadron, will leave here under the command of Captain R. F. McConnell for Shanghai on Thursday morning.

Captain McConnell is chief of staff to Admiral H. E. Yarnall, the Commander-in-Chief, who is now in Shanghai.

Last night a reception to the Augusta's officers was given by Captain J. Stapler, Officer-Commanding the South China Patrol, at his home.

It was reported that H.M.S. Cardiff will leave here on Saturday for England for re-fit.

Stopping here overnight, the German fliers will leave for Japan tomorrow morning on the sixth stage of their easy journey to Japan.—Domei.

## German Plane Reaches Basra

Basra, Apr. 24.—Baron von Gablenz, director of the German Luftwaffe Aircraft Company, with his crew of three, arrived here in the Junkers JU 52 plane from Baghdad at 4.10 p.m. Sunday afternoon on a flight from Berlin to Tokyo, via Hongkong.

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## CHINESE CAPTURE KAOAN

(Continued from Page 1.)

noon re-entered Shingfukwan, a small village three miles from Koon. At the same time, Chinese forces north of the highway in the immediate vicinity of Nanchang have captured Shian and Wanshoukang, and tightened their cordon on the Kiangsi capital. Wanshoukang is only three miles south of Nanchang.

To the northwest of Nanchang on the Wuning-Nanchang highway, Chinese forces also claimed important success during the weekend. Feng-shan, twice lost to the Japanese in the early part of April, is reported to be again surrounded by the Chinese.—Central News.

### Success Near Nanchang

Changsha, Apr. 24.—Adding another morning to a successful day's operations, Chinese forces on the north Kiangsi front blasted their way into Shihoukang, key-position midway between Koon and Nanchang, yesterday evening.

Shihoukang is the third strategic point on the north bank of the Ching River, a tributary of the Kan River, which the Chinese forces re-gained yesterday, the other two being Koon and Shingfukwan.

The Chinese forces crossed the Ching River from the south bank early yesterday morning, defied withering machine fire from the Japanese, and pushed on to the north bank by way of Taotun and Chieh-huiling. A bitter hand-to-hand struggle ensued in which the effect of bayonets and hand-grenades finally dislodged the Japanese from their entrenched positions.

The Chinese forces after re-occupation of the town counted 200 Japanese dead on the field and captured eleven machine guns and 90 rifles.—Central News.

## Japanese Buy China's Gold

Canton, Apr. 24.—Modifying the recent order strictly prohibiting the sales of silver and gold by private individuals and concerns in Canton, the Japanese military authorities now announce that sales of these metals may be made in future to three Japanese institutions, namely the Yokohama Specie Bank, the Bank of Taiwan, and the Bank of South China.

These banks, they add, have been given authority to purchase silver and gold not only in Canton, but also in the occupied areas in the Kwangtung province.—Reuter.

## German Goods Penalised

WASHINGTON, Apr. 23.—The United States penalty duties on German exports becomes effective at midnight to-day.

However, they actually became effective at 1 p.m. when the Customs Offices closed for the day.—United Press.

## British Envoy Sees Chiang Kai-shek

Shanghai, Apr. 23.—Chinese reports from Chungking state that Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, the British Ambassador, conferred with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek at the latter's headquarters in Chungking on Saturday afternoon at a special tea service in honour of Sir Archibald.

However, details of the conversation have not been divulged, but it was added the Ambassador expected to remain in Chungking for a fortnight.—United Press.

## Chinese Protest To French Authorities

Shanghai, Apr. 23.—Chinese reports from Chungking state that the Chinese Government yesterday sent a written protest to the French Embassy demanding that the French authorities adopt a neutral policy, whereby they would permit Chinese civilians in Shanghai to fly the Chinese flag whenever they desire, and particularly in celebration of memorial days.

Reports also stated that a verbal protest on similar lines had previously been lodged.—United Press.

## Franco's Victory Celebrations

BURGOS, Apr. 23.—The Ministry of Propaganda announces that the Victory Celebrations will be held throughout Spain on May 14 and 15.

The celebrations will be centred at Madrid where General Franco will make his triumphal entry.—United Press.

The P. & O. liner "Lahore" left Moji on Saturday instant and is due here on Thursday at about 6 a.m.

## PALACES FOR IRAN HONEYMOONERS

### Royal Gift From The Shah

TEHERAN, Apr. 23.

FOUR DAYS of festivities in celebration of the wedding of the Crown Prince of Iran and Princess Fawzieh of Egypt began yesterday and will be brought to a climax on Tuesday, when the Shah of Iran will present the royal couple with two specially built palaces of costly stone and marble, one of which will be reserved for the bride's personal use.

Teheran is a fairy city of Egyptian and Iranian flags, gay bunting and triumphal arches. Rich Iranian carpets and costly tapestries decorate the buildings, and at night the whole capital is brilliantly illuminated and flooded.

Royal Guests  
The Duke and Duchess of Athlone were among the distinguished guests who attended a State banquet at the palace last night.

To-day's celebrations included a display by Boy Scouts and Girl Guides in the presence of the Shah and other members of the Iranian and Egyptian royal families.

To-morrow, President Majlis will give a tea party in the gardens of Parliament Buildings and a banquet will be held in the evening at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

On Tuesday the Egyptian Ambassador will give a luncheon in honour of Princess Fawzieh, and the Iranian air force will give a display, followed by a military review in which a British naval detachment will participate.

A State banquet will be given by Queen Nazli in the palace at night in honour of the Shah and Queen of Iran.—Reuter.

## MANOEUVRES FOR BALKAN ALLIES

(Continued from Page 1.)

Moscow to report on the British reply to the Soviet anti-aggression bloc proposals, is expected to leave for London again to-night, and will arrive here on Tuesday or Wednesday.

British political circles believe that this denotes that deliberations between Mr. Maiky and Sir William Seeds, the British Ambassador to Moscow, and the Soviet Government have taken a favourable course, and that nothing now stands in the way of an early announcement regarding the state of the Anglo-Soviet negotiations.

No Far East Pact  
It is further declared that Britain and France intend to guarantee only the western frontier of Russia, and under no circumstances, and under no circumstances, will they come to the aid of Russia in case she feels threatened on her eastern frontier, as for example by Japan.

It is recalled that the Franco-Russian agreement prior to 1914 was subject to a similar restriction. Importance is also attached to the necessity of making it clear that the forthcoming agreement is not an Anglo-Franco-Soviet understanding, but that England and France will have separate treaties.

Whereas the tripartite agreement will represent a new alliance, the Franco-Soviet agreement will merely be an extension of the already existing military pact.—Trans-Ocean.

### Talks in Paris

Paris, Apr. 23.—Sir Eric Phipps, the British Ambassador to Paris, has talked with M. Daladier this morning and M. Bonnet this afternoon.

"Le Temps" understands that the conversations concerned the "necessity for Great Britain introducing compulsory military service in order to be ready if circumstances required, to reply immediately to aggression with strengthened forces."

The newspaper declared: "Mr. Chamberlain is now convinced that the method must change, for experience shows it impossible to negotiate without equality in strength. For peace, as for war, the Powers must have strength to enforce their policy."—Reuter.

Gafencu in London  
London, Apr. 23.—M. Gafencu, the Rumanian Foreign Minister, has arrived.

He has just completed conferences with the Polish Foreign Minister in Warsaw, Hitler, and the German Foreign Minister in Berlin, and he has begun conferences regarding the new Balkan alignment.

He was welcomed at the station by Lord Halifax, the Turkish Ambassador, the Greek Minister and officers of the Rumanian Legation.

Meanwhile, a British financial delegation headed by Sir Frederick Leith-Ross is scheduled to arrive in Bucharest on Monday.—United Press.

## New Sabotage Attempt Fears

HAVRE, Apr. 23.—The authorities have received anonymous warnings of possible attempts at sabotage at several vital points of the port, particularly the petroleum wharves and refineries.

Consequently, no unauthorised person is now allowed in the dock area, where every important point is closely guarded by the police.—Reuter.

## LARGE-SCALE CHINESE OFFENSIVE

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planes bombed Chihkiang, on the Hunan-Kweichow border. A hundred explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped and the city is reported to be ablaze at many points.

It is also reported that Nihshang, an important city in South Honan, 60 miles east of the Shensi border, was raided yesterday by 18 Japanese planes.

Meanwhile it is reported that the Japanese command is rushing troops over the Chingling-Taiyuan and also the Pinghan railway to reinforce the North China garrisons, particularly at Kailfeng.

All passenger and freight traffic on the railways has been stopped for three weeks while the transfer of the troops is taking place.

Meanwhile, the Chinese claim they have re-entered Kailfeng where they captured the railway station and the East gate, and set fire to Japanese stores.—United Press.

### Chinese Victory in Shansi

Shan, Apr. 24.—Chinese forces in southeast Shansi have administered a crushing blow to the Japanese driving southward from Taiiku and Pingyao, south of Taiyuan.

Malingkwan, important mountain pass southeast of Taiiku, has been recaptured by the Chinese. The Japanese there who suffered a severe defeat are reported to be retreating in a northerly direction.

Following up with the success, the Chinese are pushing rapidly towards Taiiku.

The Japanese column driving towards Tsiyuiin from Pingyao are reported to have withdrawn to Pingyao after encountering stiff Chinese resistance. Wangkuichen, south of Pingyao, which fell into Japanese hands recently, has returned to Chinese control and the countryside is now cleared of Japanese soldiers.

Another Japanese column pushing towards Wushang has also been repulsed with heavy losses by the Chinese. Kuicheng and Pan-shi-chen in the vicinity have been retaken by Chinese units.

Meanwhile, on the Fowshan sector, southeast of Linfen, Chinese forces are continuing their "clearing-up" operations against the Japanese following their recapture of the town.

Japanese reinforcements rushing to that sector have been intercepted by the Chinese northwest of Kowshun, and after a ferocious engagement lasting four hours, driven back with more than 100 dead bodies left behind.—Central News.

### Tungshan Captured

CHANGSHA, Apr. 24.—Synchronising with the counter-offensive on the north Kiangsi front, Chinese forces in south Hupchi launched a lightning attack on Tungshan, important town 80 miles southeast of Hankow, and retook the city yesterday morning.

Following up the remnant Japanese forces who retreated towards Nankiao is proceeding. Re-substitution measures are being taken inside the town to pacify stricken Chinese civilians.—Central News.

### Pushing On

CHANGSHA, Apr. 24.—After consolidating their positions at Tungshan, Chinese forces have branched out westward in hot pursuit of the Japanese fleeing to Nankiao.

Another strong Chinese unit is striking northward from their base to converge on Nankiao. The two units are said to have established contact with each other to effect an "irreversible movement."

To retard Chinese pursuit, the remnant Japanese troops have dynamited a number of bridges along the highway from Tungshan to Nankiao.—Central News.

## PRISON WARDER IN COURT

(Continued from Page 1.)

Gosau, He also used abusive language at the hospital, and again whilst he was being brought back to the Police Station.

Mr. Hinnworth (to defendant): "One expects a better example from a man of your position in this Colony."

Hewitt was fined \$20 on the charge of common assault, \$30 on the charge of behaving riotously and \$10 on the charge of being under the influence of drink.

## German Monoplane Due Here Soon

Beirut, Apr. 23.—The Yunkers 52 airliner of the German Luftwaffe Company with Baron Von Gablenz and his crew of three, who arrived here from Athens at 1.47 o'clock on Saturday afternoon on a flight from Berlin to Tokyo, via Hongkong.

Stopping overnight at Beirut, the plane will leave for Baghdad on Sunday morning.—Domei.

The German plane is due in Hongkong on Wednesday.

Air Mail Delay  
Imperial Airways' faster summer schedule has had an unpropitious beginning as far as Hongkong is concerned, for to-day, being the first delivery under the new time-table the mail has been delayed.

The Delia is expected at Kai Tak at 6 p.m. with passengers and Australian and Malayan mails only. United Kingdom and mail from other countries is expected to arrive to-morrow afternoon by the Dorado.

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### INWARD MAILS

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Straits	Bellerophon	April 24.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 10th April.		
Shanghai	Imperial Airways Plane	April 24.
Formosa	Tegelboig	April 24.
Amoy	Canton Maru	April 25.
Shanghai and Swatow	Cremor	April 25.
Calcutta and Straits	Taiyuan	April 25.
Straits	Tulma	April 25.
Manila	Aeneas	April 26.
Japan	Anna Mierak	April 26.
Tientsin and Swatow	Emp. of Russia	April 26.
Manila	Lahore	April 26.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.) London date, 30th March and London Parcels—London date, 23rd March	Nanning	April 26.
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 22nd April.	Rajputana	April 26.
Japan and Shanghai	Toyama Maru	April 26.
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U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 1st April).	Imperial Airways Plane	April 27.
Shanghai	Jean Laborde	April 27.
Japan	Montevideo Maru	April 27.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 21st April.	Pres. Cleveland	April 27.
Shanghai	Pres. Van Buren	April 27.
Japan	British M/V Canton	April 28.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 21st April.	Kitano Maru	April 28.
Shanghai		
Japan	Pan American Airways Plane	April 28.
Shanghai and Amoy	Conte Biancamano	April 29.
Shanghai	Tusima Maru	April 29.
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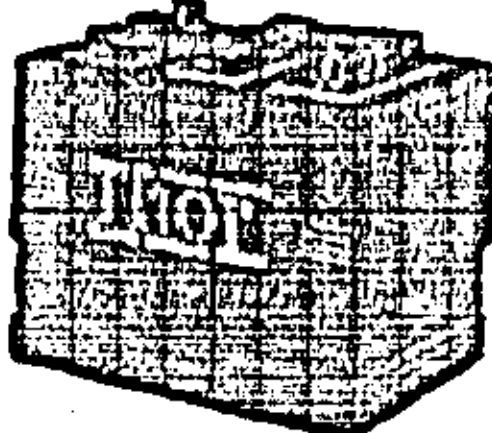


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### REQUIEM

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the late Mr. Francisco Andrade  
will be held at St. Margaret's  
Church, Happy Valley, at 7.30  
a.m. to-morrow, Tuesday, April  
25th.

## The Hongkong Telegraph.

Wyndham St., Hongkong

Phone 26615

April 24, 1939

### Deep Shelters

THE WHITE Paper on Air Raid  
Shelters, issued in London on  
Friday, opposes an impracticable  
plan for the city scheme for providing  
deep bomb-proof shelters for the  
civilian population.

This would appear to vindicate the  
policy, apparently adopted in Hong-  
kong, of favouring a system of dis-  
persed trenches, which gives protec-  
tion against blast and splinters, but  
not against direct hits, incendiary  
or gas.

Such, however, is not the case.  
The system of complete protection  
advocated for Hongkong by this  
newspaper envisages the tunnelling  
of the Peak, which is something en-  
tirely different to deep excavation.  
The latter system would be as im-  
practicable in Hongkong as it is  
apparently in London. Apart from  
interference with underground  
sewerage systems, etc., the ques-  
tion of water seepage would at once  
render it difficult of accomplishment  
in this Colony.

But by reason of its topography,  
Hongkong, unlike London, can over-  
come the obstacles inherent to ver-  
tical excavation by horizontal tun-  
nelling.

The Peak provides this Colony with  
almost ready-made facilities for a  
system of deep air-raid shelters. We  
have no hesitation in expressing the  
opinion that the system urged by this  
newspaper for Hongkong would long  
ere this have been adopted in London  
if the topographical features present  
in this Colony were available in  
England's metropolis.

Let us examine the reasons why  
deep shelters were rejected by Sir  
John Anderson. They were:

- 1.—Division of material, effort  
and money from active defence.
- 2.—Technical difficulties of con-  
structing a shelter system which  
would guarantee speedy and  
sufficient access to the population  
which would want to use it; and
- 3.—The time factor of construc-  
tion.

The first objection can hardly  
apply to a tunnelling system in  
Hongkong. The material is avail-  
able and, without doubt, so is the  
labour. Unlike a scheme for deep  
excavation, tunnelling requires no  
astronomical expenditure.

The second objection does not  
apply to tunnelling. The drive  
would enter virgin rock and soil,  
i.e., it would not interfere with  
existing underground sewerage and  
other systems and would not be  
obstructed by the problem of water  
seepage from river, sea, or subter-  
ranean artesian flows. That the  
technical difficulties of constructing a  
tunnel through the Peak from the  
city to, say, Aberdeen could be over-  
come is borne out by the fact that  
the length involved is little, if any,  
more than the length of the first  
tunnel on the Kowloon-Canton Rail-  
way.

Unlike London, the major part of  
Hongkong's population needing pro-  
tection in the event of an air raid is  
confined to an area of only a few  
acres. For the people residing in the  
densely populated tenement areas on  
the island—considered by some  
authorities to be the most densely  
populated area in the world—there  
can be no protection but tunnels.  
Their buildings are death traps and  
there is no room for trenches.

The third objection in the White  
Paper again raises the time factor.

# St. George, Shakespeare, and Shirley Temple

YESTERDAY was St.  
George's Day.  
Shakespeare died 323  
years ago, and Shirley Tem-  
ple was born ten years ago.

Probably more English-  
speaking people will re-  
member Miss Temple's anni-  
versary than will bother  
about Shakespeare or St.  
George.

At a few subscription dinners  
held by this society or that, a  
few chairmen will wind up  
speeches, modelled on the  
eloquence of Lord Baldwin with  
the words "Gentlemen, the  
toast is England."

A few solemn companies of  
men raise their glasses and a  
muttered echo "England" will go  
round the room.

I KNOW very few facts  
about St. George; I  
don't suppose anyone knows  
many.

There are two St. Georges.  
One is the real one—the knight  
in shining armour who, from  
the back of his splendid charger,  
digs a writhing dragon in the  
belly with his spear, while a  
lady in a nightdress waits for  
her release.

This St. George was in fact, I so why not St. George with his  
suppose, Perseus, who rescued spear? He is ours, too, because, al-  
Andromeda; St. George, being a In any case, he is England's though he belongs to us he is  
Christian martyr, stole the Patron Saint and yesterday was also of the whole world. He  
dragon story from Perseus and his day, and I would like to doff would understand that difficult  
Golden Legend. problem of loving your country  
and, at the same time, wishing  
well to all the world.

The other St. George is the  
unreal one; the one who lived in  
history; was born in Cappadocia  
of a noble Christian family; much better patron for us than  
served the Emperor Diocletian John Bull, who, in these days  
as a soldier; rebuked him for his of close international contacts,  
persecution of Christianity; and is a little out of date.  
died a martyr at Nicomedia.

I like, myself, to mingle the  
two figures and think of the  
square on his two feet; but is he  
fearless soldier who, after not, perhaps, a little insensitive?  
rescuing the princess from the And is there not possibly a little  
dragon, defied Diocletian and arrogance, and a little com-  
was martyred for his faith. I placency over the things that he  
suppose the two are incompatible doesn't know, in his rubicund  
—or were there dragons in countenance?

One has been apparently shot  
to me very definitely to belong  
to the world of the Fourth George  
and the Fourth William—aren't  
we 150 years older—and possibly  
wiser, than he?

But the first beautiful thing  
about St. George is that he is of  
no time and of all time.  
We know that he was hand-  
some, fearless, a protector of the  
weak; these things are good.  
But best of all perhaps there is  
not a single word on record that  
he ever spoke. He was a doer  
of deeds and not a boaster of  
them.

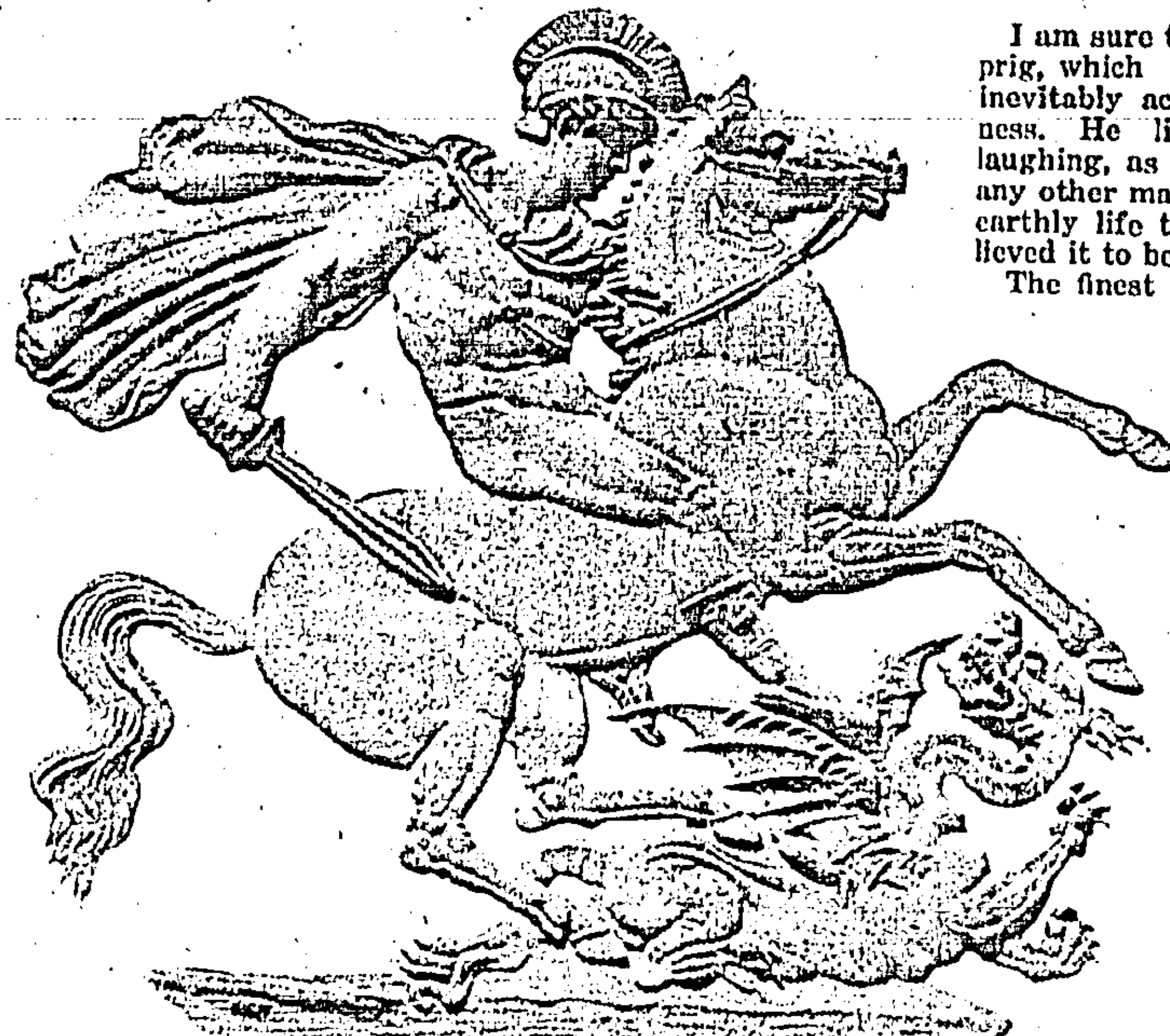
I am sure that after he had  
slain the dragon he took the  
princess back to her father, and  
was considerably embarrassed  
by the torrent of feminine ap-  
preciation with which she re-  
warded him while they were rid-  
ing to the city.

When the King acclaimed him,  
the trumpeter blew, the people  
shouted, his one great desire  
was to be off and discover an-  
other dragon or so.

We Love Display  
ONE reason why we  
English chose him for  
our patron is, I am sure, because  
he had very little to say.

Another is that he is so em-  
blazoned with light and colour.  
Have you ever considered how  
brightly packed with colour our  
poetry is, from Chaucer, through  
Spenser, Shakespeare, Coleridge,  
Keats, Tennyson, to Walter de la  
Mare? Perhaps because our  
climate allows us too little of the  
sun we love light, colour, move-  
ment, display.

And St. George, although most  
unostentatious, is, with his  
armour of silver and gold, his  
fresh, jolly complexion, his capar-  
nisoned horse, the sunlit land-  
scape at his back, a knight of  
colour and movement.



This is St. George and the Dragon as we knew them on the sovereigns and  
half-sovereigns. The design was by the famous Italian sculptor, Benetto  
Pisistrucchi, and it is said that he originally intended to use it on a gem he  
was preparing for a private client.

I am sure that he was never a  
prig, which some people think  
inevitably accompanies saintli-  
ness. He lived as jolly, as  
laughing, as coloured a life as  
any other man. He enjoyed his  
earthly life to the full, but be-  
lieved it to be not the only one.

The finest man I know has  
many of the  
qualities of St.  
George. He  
never speaks  
without reason;  
he is fearless;  
not very analyti-  
cal; prefers to  
be doing things  
rather than dis-  
cussing them;  
loves his coun-  
try, but believes  
that other coun-  
tries should live  
in the way that  
they prefer; is  
greatly generous  
but secretly so;  
likes to rescue  
beautiful maid-  
ens; and grows  
roses in his  
garden.

### More Dragons

So, like him, there are, I  
am sure, many men  
and women in England. And  
yet I fancy that St. George may  
feel a little disappointed as he  
looks around him here and there.

He may think, gazing about  
England, that there are too many  
red villas, too many uncultivated  
acres, too many men not only  
unemployed but not over-anxious  
to be employed, too little kind,  
too generous merriness, too weak a  
consciousness of spiritual life.

But, after all, he is a Saint of  
Common Sense. He has a quick,  
ready smile. He has slain  
dragons so often that he knows  
well how many more there are  
to conquer.

And, as he once again surveys  
the rivers and the rocky coasts,  
the dim line of purple hills, the  
thick, dark woods where he  
hopes the bluebells will be allow-  
ed to live undisturbed, he is not  
complacent, he is not contented,  
but there are worse things—  
worse things, surely, than to be  
God. He cared for something  
bigger and greater than himself.

### DUNVEGAN CASTLE

EDINBURGH.

Fire damaged the south wing of  
Scotland's oldest castle, Dunvegan on  
the Isle of Skye, for centuries the  
seat of the Macleods of Macleod.

During one of the first snowstorms  
of the season, more than 200 islanders  
fought savagely to quench the flames  
and salvage the historic treasures  
within the ancient walls.

### GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"Of course, I hope what I told you about her isn't true!—She's  
my best friend, you know!"



# OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

## Britain

### National Day Marked By Tense Atmosphere

London, Apr. 23. The heat of political fires which seem likely to change the face of Europe anew, not necessarily in a territorial sense if the democracies have their way—shows no sign of cooling off. The realisation of this weighs heavily on the British press on this St. George's Day.

Serious attention is devoted to the situation in all its aspects, despite the absence of surprises since President Roosevelt startled the world with his message to the dictators, which in eloquent of the steady determination of every shade of public opinion to face up to the seriousness of the hour. While the democracies and axis Powers are seen engaged in something of a race to woo the smaller Powers before Friday, when Herr Hitler is due to reply to Mr. Roosevelt, there is acknowledgment in plenty that this does not complete the present picture.

As the Sunday Times observes editorially, however, the diplomatic picture may vary in detail from hour to hour. One thing is unchanging, and that is the present necessity for the British nation to develop its maximum fighting capacity within a minimum time. Thus the issue of conscription is raised anew in some journals. Led by the Observer, they affirm that the matter will be raised at to-morrow's Cabinet meeting and give further currency to the reports to the effect that France has made a new plea for introduction of what to this country would be a revolutionary peace time measure.

The aim of British policy in the Balkans is seen by the Sunday Times diplomatic correspondent as an endeavour to promote a neutral bloc of countries (no doubt including Bulgaria) pledged to come to each other's assistance.

The importance of the Anglo-French negotiations with Turkey in connection with the Eastern Mediterranean is underlined by the Observer's diplomatic correspondent.

Dealing with another aspect of the growth of the anti-aggression front—obscurity in the relations between Rumania and Poland, the Sunday Times diplomatic correspondent points out that conditions have changed since the alliance between the two countries, framed with a view to mutual protection against the Soviet. The correspondent adds that the Rumanian-Polish treaty, therefore, needs to be brought up to date. M. Gafencu will be able to explain in London—where it is due to-day—what progress has been made in this direction.

Whether or not the Far East will enter into the Anglo-French agreements with the Soviet is still a matter for conjecture, but reports from Paris do not support those made yesterday. Commentators expect that with M. Ivan Laisky's return to London, Mr. Chamberlain will be in a position early this week to make a statement as to the progress of the negotiations.

Speculations as to the attitude Herr Hitler will take up on Friday are now beginning, but little that is concrete emerges from these, with the exception that Polish and German circles in London expect that strong diplomatic pressure will be brought to bear on Poland to dissuade her from binding her fate with the Western Powers.—Reuter.

## FUGITIVE PIANIST

### Austrian Artist to Play Over Station ZBW

Hands that have fingered piano keys in Austria will play Hongkong listeners over Station ZBW. They are the hands of Erich Porges, fugitive from Austria. They are winning him a livelihood in his exile and may win him fame akin to that which he enjoyed at home.

Tall, dark, and interesting, Mr. Porges presides at the piano in Jimmy's Kitchen. His fluent playing is supported by the violin of another European fugitive, one-time prominent Viennese.

Born in Vienna, Mr. Porges spent his early childhood struggling to learn the piano against the wishes of his father. He was 18 when his father announced that he intended to apprentice him in business; but the urge to pursue his musical career fired the youth and he ran away. He became pianist in a small hotel in Semmering, one of Austria's well-known ski centres.

Ski-ing on a powder snow in the warm sun during the day and playing jazz and waltzes and shoplifters in the evening, Mr. Porges found Semmering a blissful interlude. He decided, however, to go to Graz, one of Austria's larger towns, and there he led his first big band and composed a few pieces.

A Viennese restaurant owner finally discovered him and invited him to Vienna. That, except for one fleeting visit to Calcutta, he remained until European persecution claimed him among its many victims.

Mr. Porges will heard from Z.B.W. studio on May 1 from 7.45 to 8 p.m.

## Rumania

### MAY BE GIVEN BIG LOAN

#### New London Report

London, Apr. 23. Commenting on the forthcoming Anglo-Rumanian negotiations on the occasion of the visit of the Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu, to London where he is scheduled to arrive this afternoon, the diplomatic correspondent of the Sunday Times states that the British Government does not intend to ask that the guarantee to Rumania be transformed into a pact of mutual assistance, as was the case with Poland.

The correspondent attributes much importance to the economic negotiations between the two countries, which will take place simultaneously with the political talks, and announces that M. Gafencu will have his first conversation with the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Oliver Stanley, to-morrow.

The correspondent asserts that the British Government intends to place a credit of £2,500,000 at Rumania's disposal.—Trans-Ocean.

#### RUMANIAN TALKS

London, Apr. 23. British sources have revealed Rumania's astonishingly frank reply to Germany.

"Germany is in a better position than Rumania to know her own intentions," it is said.

Diplomatic circles here consider this to amount almost to a snub, and admit that Rumania has certain apprehensions because of world conditions.—United Press.

#### TALK WITH M. BONNET

Paris, Apr. 22. Important results are expected from the visit to Paris of the Rumanian Foreign Minister to the French capital on Wednesday. He will confer with the Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet.—Trans-Ocean.

## Germany

### Receives Replies To Questionnaire

Brussels, Apr. 23. Semi-official sources here said that Belgium's reply to Hitler was: "Germany, Britain and France, in anticipation, answered President Roosevelt's question in 1937 when they guaranteed Belgium territory."—United Press.

#### SWISS NEUTRALITY

London, Apr. 22. The reply of Switzerland that the Federal Council has not been notified of President Roosevelt's intention to send peace appeals to the German and Italian Governments.

Secondly, the Council is confident there will be respect for Swiss neutrality, which the Confederation will defend with her army and which Germany and other States have emphatically recognised.—Reuter.

#### LITHUANIA'S TREATY

London, Apr. 22. Lithuania's reply to the questionnaire refers to the Lithuanian-German Treaty of March 22 regarding the cession of Memel.

By the Treaty, Germany shouldered an obligation never to resort to or support force against Lithuania.—Reuter.

#### CAUTION IN RUMANIA

Bucharest, Apr. 23. Reliable sources state that Rumania's reply to Hitler's questionnaire states that she had no advance information regarding Roosevelt's message.

Rumania does not consider herself to be menaced by Germany, but she is forced to take precautionary measures owing to the threatening developments on her frontiers.—United Press.

#### DENMARK NOT THREATENED

Copenhagen, Apr. 23. It is reported here that Denmark has replied saying that they do not feel themselves to be threatened.

However, the Danish Foreign Office refused to say even whether they had received a questionnaire from Hitler.—United Press.

#### SWEDEN'S REPLY

Stockholm, Apr. 23. Sweden has made a reply to Hitler's query, "We do not feel in any way threatened," it says.—United Press.

#### FINLAND NOT MENACED

Helsinki, Apr. 23. The Finnish Foreign Minister today announced that, in reply to the German query, Finland did not think Germany menaced Finnish neutrality.—United Press.

## NORWEGIAN SHIPS

### Consul Will Protest Against Seizure

Chungking, Apr. 23. Two Norwegian ships have been detained by the Japanese in Mamoi Bay, Fukien.

It is learned that the Norwegian Consulate-General in Shanghai will protest to the Japanese Consulate-General, and request their release.—Central News.

## Bishop of London

London, Apr. 23. His Majesty the King has nominated the Rt. Rev. Geoffrey Francis Fisher, present Bishop of Chester, for election by the Dean's Chapter as Bishop of London.

Bishop Winnington Ingram of London is shortly retiring.—Reuter.

## Yugo-Slavia

### TO JOIN WITH AXIS POWERS?

Venice, Apr. 23. Italy apparently induced Yugo-Slavia to join the Axis during the Italian Foreign Minister's conference with the Yugo-Slavian Foreign Minister yesterday, thereby giving the Axis a solid block of territory in which the Axis will be predominant from the Baltic and North Sea to the Greek frontier.

Although no communique has been issued, it is understood that the respective ministers have worked out details for a non-aggression pact which Italy is sponsoring to bring Bulgaria firmly within the Axis.

It is reported that Belgrade wants the pact to be triangular between Yugo-Slavia, Hungary and Rumania, whereas Hungary, on account of her territorial claims against Rumania, desires to exclude Rumania.—United Press.

#### Pressure from Berlin

Belgrade, Apr. 22. Political circles suggest that Yugo-Slavia be asked to join the anti-Comintern Pact or at least establish evidence of her disinclination to join the Anglo-French defensive alliance.

Further pressure is expected to be exerted on the occasion of M. Markovic's visit to Berlin, which is now scheduled for April 26.

Responsible circles, however, do not believe that Yugo-Slavia will allow herself to be thus entangled.—Reuter.

#### Vote for Democracy

Belgrade, Apr. 22. Ten thousand young Yugo-Slavians representing a diversity of organisations and all shades of party opinion, attended a meeting in the Belgrade University.

A resolution was adopted in favour of democracy and appealing to the Government not to cover a secret adhesion to the aggressor with the cloak of neutrality.—Reuter.

#### Friendly Talks

Venice, Apr. 22. A communique was issued after the meeting between Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Secretary, and M. Markovic, Yugo-Slav Foreign Minister, which states that the various questions of interest to the two states in the present international situation were examined and also the recent events in Albania.

The communique confirmed the very friendly relations between Italy and Yugo-Slavia.—Reuter Bulletin.

## British Defence

### Conscription Said To Be Very Likely

London, Apr. 23. According to the Daily Telegraph, the question of conscription for military service will be considered at a meeting of the "Inner" Cabinet which has originally been convened to discuss the Budget.

The main reason for this, the newspaper declares, is French insistence on some form of conscription in Britain, but it is also believed in London that such an innovation would be the best answer to allegations in the German Press that England is prepared to draw upon all her resources except man power.

The second reason is a military one since Territorials are only available for instruction for a few hours weekly and a large number of training officers is required.

The Daily Telegraph understands that Mr. Chamberlain has been deeply impressed by the French argument that some measure of conscription would do more than anything else to convince the smaller European countries of Britain's determination to resist aggression.

The French Ambassador, M. Corbin, saw Mr. Chamberlain on Friday and intimated that France would welcome some form of conscription in Britain.

If immediate steps are decided upon, conscription is likely to affect all men, not in reserved occupations, between the ages of 18 and 20. They are likely to be called up for military training within a few weeks and would constitute an army of about half a million men.

An increase in the number of full-time soldiers is considered in circles favouring conscription as particularly important with regard to air-raid precautions, since doubts have been expressed recently whether the present number of A.A. gun units, consisting exclusively of Territorials would be sufficient safeguard.

The Daily Telegraph article concludes with an assertion that the leaders of the Trade Unions, who have so far formed the strongest opposition to the introduction of compulsory military service, are now so convinced of the seriousness of the situation that they will refrain from creating any further difficulties.—Trans-Ocean.

## Japan-Britain

### EAST ASIA TENSION GROWING

#### Diplomatic Talk In Tokyo

Tokyo, Apr. 23. Sir Robert L. Craigie, the British Ambassador, was received by Mr. Inchiro Arita, the Foreign Minister, this morning for the first time following his return from Shanghai.

It is understood that during the interview, which lasted for one hour, Sir Robert Craigie told Mr. Arita that while relations between the British and Japanese residents in Shanghai and other places in China were becoming smooth, it was regrettable that settlement of various pending issues between Japan and Great Britain was making slow progress.

Mr. Arita replied that the Japanese authorities in China were continuing careful studies with a view to accelerating settlement of outstanding questions.

Information regarding the latest developments in Europe was understood to have been exchanged.

The Nishi-Nishi Shimbun, comments that resumption of negotiations in Tokyo at this juncture is significant in view of the visit of Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, the British Ambassador to China, to Chungking.

The paper indicates that the Chinese Ambassador at London, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, was requesting Lord Halifax to include China in the "anti-aggression" bloc and the Chinese Ambassador to Washington, Dr. Hu Shi, was appealing to the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, to include China in those countries whose independence should be guaranteed.

#### Chungking Conversation

The paper understands that leaders of the Kuomintang Government, including Dr. Wang Chung-hui, the Foreign Minister, and Dr. H. H. Kung, President of the Executive Yuan were negotiating with Sir Archibald for further British assistance to China.

The Journal asserts that, as the result of their conversations in Shanghai, the two British envoys in the Far East came to the conclusion that the four-point British policy towards the Far East should be strengthened.

The four-point British policy provides, firstly, that Japan's actions should be counter-acted by economic warfare in anticipation of exhaustion of her national resources; secondly, that assistance to the Chinese Kachek regime should be continued; thirdly, that the bloc of Democracies should be extended to the Far East to intervene in China affairs; and fourthly, that Britain's position in the Far East should be safeguarded.

#### Tension Increasing

Tokyo, Apr. 22. The Kokumin Shimbun says that Japanese official and private circles are greatly irritated at the news that Britain is not only seeking a rapprochement with the Soviet but also intends to extend the Democratic front to the Far East.

Japan may have to reconsider her attitude towards British rights and interests in China, the newspaper says.

The news is construed as indicating that Britain is assisting in the Bolshevization of East Asia.

What diplomatic action the Government will take against Britain is a matter for serious consideration, the Journal declares.—Reuter.

#### "War Possible"

The Miyako Shimbun according to Trans-Ocean, declares that Japan does not want war, but provocation by Britain would immediately find a suitable answer.

The paper alleges that, in spite of the Japanese Foreign Minister's efforts to normalise Anglo-Japanese relations, Britain, by assisting General Chiang Kai-shek and co-operating with Russia, has increased the tension between the two countries to the extent that war between Britain and Japan seems possible.

## NOVEL CONCERT

### Competition in Singing And Dramatic Performances

A novel concert in which singing and dramatic contests among seven schools of the Colony formed the programme, was held in the Kwok Siu Lau Hall of the St. Stephen's Girls' College on Saturday evening.

The competitions provided good entertainment for a large audience. The proceeds of the concert were for the Student Relief Fund.

Dramatic Contest.—1. Pui To Girls' School, 2. Y.W.C.A. (Gin Kwok Club), and Lingnam Middle School. Singing Contest, (Boys' Schools).—1. Queen's College, 2. Pui Ying Middle School, 3. Lingnam Middle School. Singing Contest, (Girls' School).—1. St. Paul's Girls' College, 2. Yung Wah Girls' College, 3. St. Stephen's Girls' College. Essay Contest.—1. St. Paul's Girls' College, 2. True Light Girls' College, 3. Queen's College. Mandarin Contest.—1. Pui To Girls' School, 2. Pui Ying Middle School, 3. St. Paul's Girls' College.

## British Budget To-morrow

London, Apr. 22. Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, will present his Budget in the House of Commons on Tuesday.

Members of Parliament are at present occupied with the international situation so that there is little speculation as to the contents of the Budget, but it is generally expected to lay further burdens on taxpayers.—Reuter Bulletin.

### Japanese May Land At Foochow

Peking, Apr. 23. Foreign reports from Foochow indicate fear that the Japanese may shortly attack the city from the sea and try to make a landing.

Lately the city has been subjected to many bombing raids by planes from the Japanese aircraft-carriers.

Three such raids yesterday did considerable damage and caused sixty casualties.

Owing to the air raids and fear of an attempted landing the Chinese Provincial Government is reported to have been removed inland to Yenping on the Min River.—Reuter.

### AMERICAN PLANES FOR CHINA

New York, Apr. 22. Although a spokesman of the Chinese Embassy in Washington denied knowledge of any impending transactions, the well-informed New York Times states that it learns that contracts for purchase of 100 or more planes are being negotiated for shipment to China.

The report says that in addition to the planes, contracts for aeroplane engines and equipment to a total value of from U.S.\$7,000,000 to \$15,000,000 are being negotiated.

Secrecy prevails, adds the newspaper, but it is understood that the prospective orders tentatively include 54 Seversky single-seater pursuit planes capable of nearly 300 miles an hour.—Reuter.

#### Aeroplane Parts

New York, Apr. 23. The New York Times understands that one or more contracts for planes for China will be signed next week.

To-day's report said Mr. Samuel Needleman of the Aviation Equipment Exporting and China Airframe Company has been in conference at Los Angeles with Mr. A. L. Patterson, United Aircraft Corporation's China representative.

The report adds that the order includes three to four million dollars worth of United Aircraft Corporation's plane equipment.

It is said that the American companies are selling through a "middle man."—United Press.

Trans-Ocean adds that the Seversky pursuit planes are equipped with 10,000-horse-power Pratt-Whitney twin "Wasp" motors. This machine which is one of the most modern in the American Army, is equipped with machine-guns and can also carry light bombs.

Numerous two-seater planes for both fighting and bombing have been ordered from the United Aircraft Company and a considerable number of training planes from the Ryan Aircraft Works have also been included. It is reported that other aircraft companies have received orders for later deliveries.

The planes will probably be sent to Burma or Indo-China to be assembled there and flown across the frontier.

The American press features this order as an indication of the will of the Chinese Government to continue resistance to Japan.

#### RAIDS IN KIANGSI

Kian, Kiangsi, Apr. 23. Kweiki, east Kiangsi town, 103 miles south-east of Nanchang, was raided yesterday by three Japanese planes. Six bombs were dropped inside the town, demolishing four civilian houses.

Yushan, on the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway, 184 miles east of Nanchang, was also raided. Eight bombs were released in the busy sections of the town.—Central News.

#### HONAN TOWN BOMBED

Nanyang, Honan, Apr. 23. Nelsiang in west Honan was heavily raided by 18 Japanese warplanes yesterday morning. The raiders dumped about 100 bombs. Loss of lives and property is heavy.—Central News.

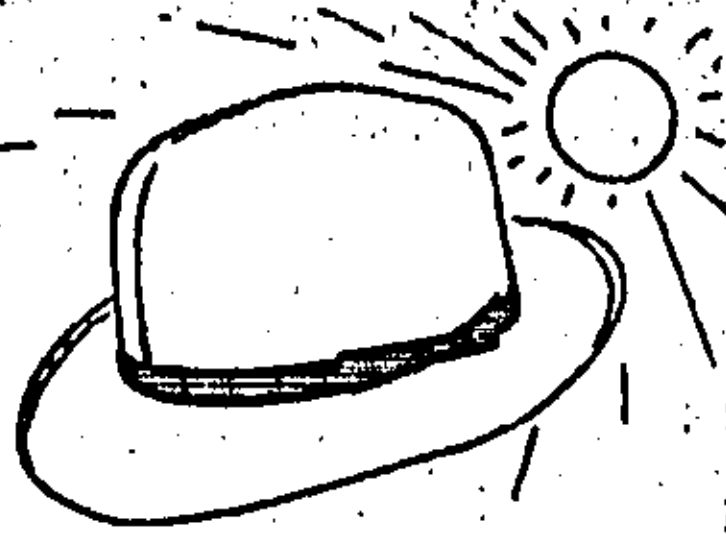
#### URBAN COUNCIL

### Applications for Licences To Be Considered

A letter from the Government relative to the appointment of the Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas and Mr. B. Wong Tape to be members of the Urban Council for a further term of three years will be laid on the table at the forthcoming meeting to-morrow.

An application for a milk shop licence for 5, Arbuthnot Road, ground floor and another for the Kiosk, Tram Station, Caroline Road, will be considered.

Other applications include an eating house licence for 29 Canton Road, ground floor, an eating house licence for 220 Hollywood Road, ground floor, a food factory licence for 33 d'Aguilar Street, ground floor, a food shop (fruit) licence for 73 Chun Yung Street, ground floor, a food preserving licence for 131 Sal-kung Road, ground floor.



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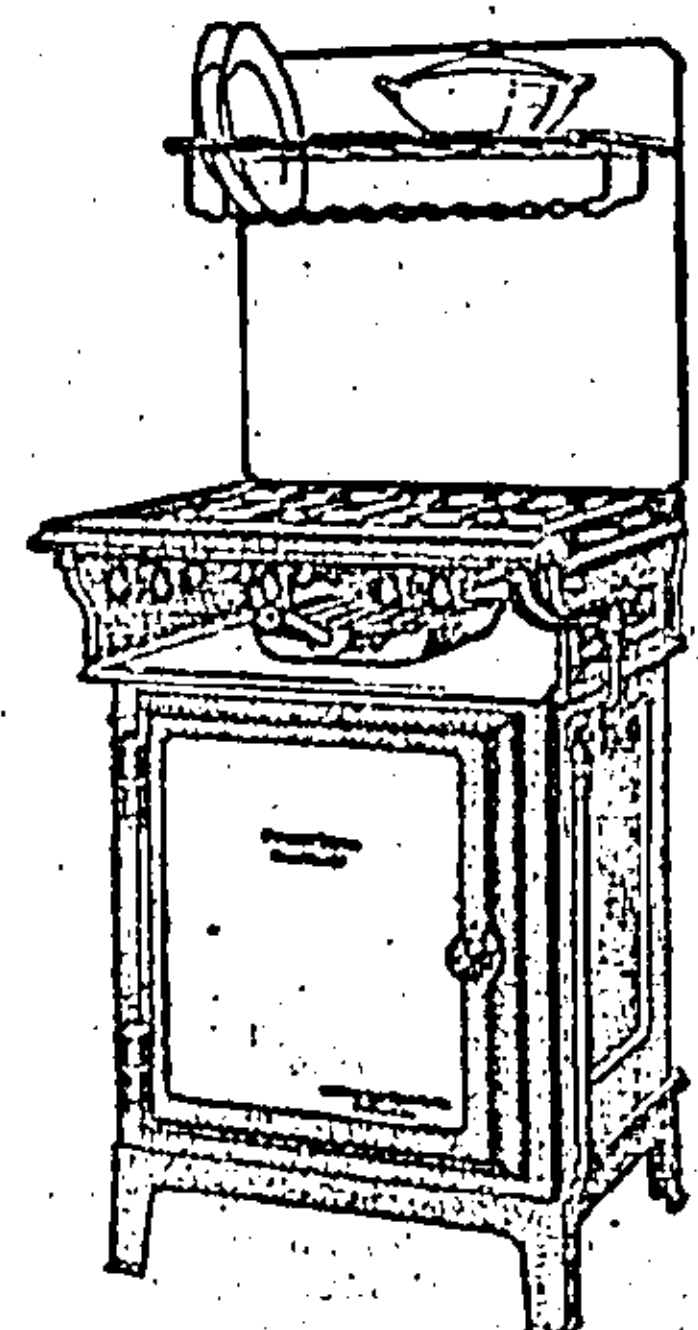
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## WATERFRONT SCENE

### Firefloat Coxswain Said To Have Hit Policeman

A struggle between a Chinese detective and a woman at Gloucester Road near Tonnochy Pier, Wanchai, on Friday, led to the appearance of three persons before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy on Saturday.

The woman, Chan Yee, 40, was charged with the theft of a piece of firewood from the harbour, while her daughter, Leung Chun, 17, was charged with obstructing the police officer. Kwok Ngan, 35, coxswain of a firefloat, was charged with assaulting and obstructing the detective, Yeung Sang, C21.

Det.-Sgt. T. Cashman said that the woman was arrested by the detective who had seen her pick up the firewood, which had fallen overboard from a junk into the water. As he was taking her to the Police Station, the girl, it was alleged, attempted to rescue her mother, and the man was said to have struck the detective a blow in the back.

Chan Yee admitted picking up the piece of firewood, and was fined \$5. The girl, however, said she was merely trying to give her mother some oilment, as she appeared to be distressed. The detective, she alleged, was hitting her mother right and left with his hands.

Kwok declared he was merely a passer-by, and the detective, in his struggle with the woman, bumped into him and accused him of stealing him.

Both Leung and Kwok were remanded on bail, and hearing of the case was fixed for May 4.

## NATIONAL REGISTER

### Forms for Chinese Now Being Printed

The Chinese National Voluntary Register will shortly come into existence.

Forms, similar to those already distributed to the British residents in the Colony, are now being printed. The work of distributing these forms will be carried through by the Chinese members of the Legislative and Executive Councils. The actual register of Chinese volunteers will be kept in the offices of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

The register will be open to all Chinese—to British subjects of Chinese birth and to any Chinese who feel they owe allegiance and who would be ready to help Britain in an emergency arose.

## UNIFORMS FOR CHINA

Manchester, Apr. 23. The Chinese Government is making inquiries for 20,000,000 yards of cotton goods suitable for military uniforms. The value of the goods is £500,000.

Enquiries are also being made for 1,250,000 yards of khaki and white drill valued at £30,000.—United Press.

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# ENGLAND WINS POOR INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY FINAL

## Danish Girl Improves On Own Record

Copenhagen, Apr. 23. Ragnhild Hveger, the famous Danish girl swimmer, established a 220 yards free style world record to-day when she covered the distance in 2 mins. 22.6 secs., beating her own previous record of 2 mins. 25.9 secs.—*Reuter*.

## S. China "A" Overwhelm The Navy

### Win Deciding Game By Four Goals

(By "Abe")

Until fairly late in the second half, the Navy, despite being a goal in arrears, held their own in their deciding Football League match against South China "A" at Causeway Bay on Saturday. But in the last 20 minutes of the match they were over-run and were finally defeated by four goals to nil.

As a result of this victory, South China "A" thus won the League Championship, finishing the season three points ahead of the Navy and Eastern, who will have to play off to decide the runners-up position.

The ground was sodden and slippery, but despite the adverse conditions the game was very good indeed, especially in the first half when the exchanges were fairly even.

The Chinese won because they had the better-balanced team, and because they had in Fung King-cheung, who scored a "hat trick," the best forward in the field. Fung was at his best, distributing his passes well to both wings, and with Ip Pak-wah, formed a combination which proved far too good for the Navy defenders.

The Navy's greatest weakness lay in their forwards, who were unable to get going. The two wing-men, Armstrong and Moores, were hard-working, but neither was given the passes which they deserved; too often had they to go foraging for themselves.

#### MISSING CHANCES

Nevertheless had they taken their chances the Navy would not have been a goal behind at the interval. But they did not make use of them and the Chinese, thanks to a nicely placed header by Fung, crossed over a goal in the lead.

A word must be said in praise of Dickenson's work in goal. He showed uncanny anticipation and positioned himself for the many shots fired at him, and undoubtedly saved the Navy from a heavier defeat.

In the second half, after an even opening, the Chinese forwards got into their stride despite an injury to Lai Shiu-wing, and they scored three more goals without reply. By this time the Navy forwards were completely subdued, and the Chinese halves were thus able to take a hand in the attack.

The Chinese victory was well-earned indeed.

## OPPORTUNITIES ALLOWED TO GO BY IN PLENTY

(By "The Pilgrim")

England won the International Hockey Tournament by beating Portugal by two goals to nil in the final on the Club ground at King's Park yesterday evening. Actually England did not give an entirely satisfactory display as they should have won by a wider margin; but that they were deserving winners there was little doubt.

The game in the first half was a scrappy affair and if Portugal had taken their scoring opportunities they would have led by at least two goals. Pinto, Souza and Beltrao showed enterprise and dash, but were never able to make use of opportunities in front of goal. The English defence held out firmly in the first 15 minutes, Osman in goal being brilliant. He showed amazing anticipation and made many fine clearances.

England—Pte. Osman; V. C. Bond and L. Bdr. Carter; Bdr. Dillmott, Lt. Hook and E. Fowler; S. A. Fowler, E. R. A. Gemmell, G. H. Fowler, Bdr. Marshall and A. E. P. Guest. Reserve, Pte. Dunne.

Portugal—E. V. Alves; R. Xavier and E. L. Gosano; R. A. Marques, J. B. Goncalves and A. M. Alves; R. M. Silva, A. M. Rodrigues, J. M. Pinto, N. A. Beltrao and A. P. Souza. Reserve, G. N. Gosano and P. Fonseca.

Ten minutes later the English forwards found their feet and S. A. Fowler, on the right wing, got away and, cutting through the Portuguese defence, scored a somewhat lucky goal. E. V. Alves completely misjudged the flight of the ball which slowly rolled out of his reach. England took courage from this and kept up the attack until the interval was called.

#### PLAY IMPROVES

Portugal took up the attack immediately after the resumption and within ten minutes forced four short corners, not one of which was turned to account. All were cleared without difficulty, though they gave the English defenders some anxious moments.

From then onwards the English defence never looked back; instead they dictated the exchanges. The ball was swung from wing to wing and England's attack made considerable progress towards Portugal's goal, but it was not until about 20 minutes had passed before G. H. Fowler ran through to score a clever goal.

Portugal rallied strongly but their forwards seldom got past the English halves. In the closing stages of the game, England's defence held firm and enabled their forwards to be constantly on the attack. E. V. Alves, in the Portuguese goal, however, made several splendid saves and prevented the Englishmen from scoring further.

#### THOSE WHO SHONE

Though Carter was not at his best, his partner, played a fine game, constantly breaking up the Portuguese attacks. Dillmott and Hook were the best halves, displaying renewed vigour in the second half. G. H. Fowler, Gemmell and S. A. Fowler were the best in the English attack, but it took them fully 35 minutes to work with usual speed and rhythm. Portugal replied with a number of raids but their forwards were weak in shooting. A. P. Souza spoiled several movements by being off-side.

J. Goncalves, at centre-half, and A. Xavier were gallant defenders, and had not Alves played so brilliantly in goal the score would have been much higher.

England had a better combination and a very capable defence, and though they were the better team on the whole and deserved their victory, it has to be admitted that this was the worst game of the 1939 series.

The match was very competently umpired by Lt. Pirie (Royal Scots).



Gemmell, the English inside right, tackled by Portuguese defenders in the International hockey final at King's Park yesterday. Players (from left to right) are R. Marques, Dr. E. L. Gosano, Gemmell, R. Marques and G. H. Fowler. England won the encounter by two goals to nil.—*Staff Photographer*.

## Two 'Hat Tricks' Feature Football Exhibition Game

(By "Abe")

The South China "A", winners of both the Shield and League, wound up a wonderfully successful soccer season yesterday by defeating the Hongkong Interport Selections by 4-3 at Caroline Hill in an exhibition game. Neither team was at full strength; still, there was no doubting the superiority of the Chinese.

In almost every respect, South China "A" were better than the Interporters who, without Beltrao, Courtney and several others, did not settle down until very late in the game. On the other hand, the Chinese, although Leung Wing-chiu, Lai Shiu-wing and Mak Siu-hon were missing, always played together as a team; there was co-ordination between the forwards themselves and between them and the half-backs and it was this latter co-ordination which enabled the Chinese to appear so much better than the Interport XI.

For two thirds of the encounter, the ball was almost continually in Interport territory. When it did get near the Chinese goal, there was no chance of Interport forwards who seemed likely to score except Lee Wai-tong and he was too well-marked to be really effective. Besides, he did not get the passes on which he usually thrives, and it was not until the second half that he was able to score. But when he did get his chances, he put the ball in the net three times. Unfortunately, however, South China "A" registered four times, and the Interporters finished the match on the losing end of a 4-3 total.

#### NEVER IN DANGER

Leading by 4-1 at one stage of the match, South China "A" were never in danger of defeat. Their defence was too sound for the methodical Interport attack. With Lee bottled up and Gosano off-colour, the other Interport forwards seemed all at sea. Consequently on Gosano's poor form, Hat Ching-to, on the left wing, did not receive many good passes, while on the right Emberson and Leonard seldom understood one another.

Fung King-cheung, following his fine display in the deciding game against the Navy the previous day, turned in another splendid performance as leader of the South China attack, scoring three goals, thus making his total six for the weekend. Not a bad "hag!"

Lee Wai-tong's three goals were all registered in the second half, the first two being real "gems." A strong wind throughout the match spoiled many passes and prevented the game from reaching the high standard which might have been expected with nearly all the leading players of the Colony participating. On the whole, the match was rather disappointing.

#### ALWAYS IN FRONT

The South China "A" led by a goal at half-time, as a result of Fung King-cheung bundling Tam Kwan-kon across the goal-line, and shortly after the resumption, the same player put the Caroline Hill side two up. Then Lee Wai-tong reduced the deficit in the very next minute of play, a perfect pass by Gosano giving Lee the chance to put in a characteristic drive from fully 30 yards out which beat Pau Ka-ping all the way.

South China went further ahead through Fung and Ip Pak-wah in that order, and in the closing minutes Lee scored two more.

After the game the trophies for all the Divisions were presented to

### One Record Retained, Another Broken

Since playing together last season, Lee Wai-tong and Tam Kwan-kon had never been on a losing side until yesterday when a weak Interport XI, of which Lee and Tam were members, were beaten by South China "A" in an exhibition game at Caroline Hill.

Lee, however, maintained his record of scoring in every match in which he has played this season. He registered a "hat trick" yesterday.

## Pace Tells On South China Team

### Many Players Develop Cramp In Closing Stages

A fast pace was maintained throughout the junior match at Caroline Hill yesterday when South China, champions of the Second Division, defeated the Rest by two goals to one. So fast indeed were the exchanges that in the last 15 minutes of play, no fewer than seven South China men developed cramp at one stage or another.

Seldom did a minute pass without a South China man limping or being carried off the field for attention. And once, after a hectic struggle near the Chinese goal-mouth, three members of the team were lying on the ground.

The Rest were unlucky to be beaten. They at least deserved a draw. They were attacking incessantly in the closing minutes, and did everything, but score. Even a penalty was saved by Choo, the South China goal-keeper, who played a grand game.

The respective winners by Mrs. M. K. Lo, wife of the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Vice-President of the H.K.F.A., South China A—Pau Ka-ping, Lee Wai-tong, Lee Kwok-wai, Leung Wing-chiu, Lau Tung-chai, Kwok Ying-ki, Tang Kwong-sun, Ip Pak-wah, Fung King-cheung, Lee Yau-ling and Lau Tzu-mao.

Interport XI—Tam Kwan-kon, Hou Yung-sang, Chee-han, Freshwater, Hui-sin, Honniball, Emberson, Leonard, Lee Wai-tong, A. V. Gosano and Iau Ching-to.

## Tsui Yun-pui Clashes With Ho Ka-lau Colony Tennis Championships

The remaining quarter-final match in the Colony Tennis singles championship, between Tsui Yun-pui and Ho Ka-lau, is down for decision to-day on the sandcourt of the Hongkong Cricket Club.

Tsui, of course, has been considered almost a certainty for the final, but of late his form has not been unduly impressive and though he is generally expected to beat the veteran Ho, he may find himself fully extended unless he touches top form.

This is the only match in the "Open" championships to-day. The programme at the Hongkong C.C. is as follows:

Open Singles	
Tsui Yun-pui (stand court)	v. Ho Ka-lau
Club Championship	
J. J. Ferguson	v. W. Sander
Club Handicap	
A. T. Dow	v. E. F. Story
H. D. Biddlewell	v. V. L. Nicholson
H. D. Biddlewell	v. L. Goldman
Mixed Doubles	
T. C. Mongshan and v. H. J. Armstrong and Miss J. Greig	Mrs. Andrews

### "Y" Tennis Courts Being Re-turfed

The Y.M.C.A. tennis courts are closed until further notice for re-turfing. They will probably not be ready for play until the end of May.

## PETER KANE WINS VERY EASILY

But Sangchili Goes The Distance

London, April 4. Peter Kane, world fly-weight champion, easily outpointed Baltasar Sangchili, a Spaniard who once held the world bantam-weight title, over ten rounds at the N.S.C. Earl's Court, last night, writes F. Butler.

Sangchili, a pocket-Tarzan standing 4ft. 11½ ins., was too tough for our world champion to knock out. His awkward bobbing and weaving made it difficult for Kane to connect anywhere but on his granite-like head and there you have an explanation of Kane's not too impressive display.

Peter won every round with ease, but he lacked the fire and terrific punching that made him famous when a blacksmith's "hand."

#### HALF PUNCHES

Peter explained this when he said "I did not dare to hit with my full power. That kid from Spain has a head like a brick."

Sangchili, as a former world champion, disappointed. He showed toughness and courage, but his skill was limited.

The Spaniard was as delighted in defeat as Kane in victory. He jumped in the air and gave a kind of Fascist Salute—he did not intend it that way—to the four corners of the ring. He even kissed Kane and shook his manager by the arm.

Sangchili had one great admirer at the ringside, his young wife. They were married recently in Paris. She is a French trapeze artist, as blond as he is dark.

I wondered if Kane's right-hand punching was affected by the

#### Polo

## SINGAPORE TEAM LOSE IN MANILA

Manila, Apr. 23. Opening their three-game series in Manila to-day, the 20th Royal Artillery polo team from Singapore lost to the U.S. Army's "Department Headquarters" squad by seven goals to two.

On Wednesday the Singaporeans will play Manila Polo Club "Calatagans."—*United Press*.

The Royal Artillery players are the first team ever sent to Manila from Singapore. The squad is composed of Major Phillips, Capt. Nicoll, Capt. Mitchell and Major Patterson—all two-goal handi-cap players.

It has long been the desire of the Manila Polo Club to foster a series of games between the Club, teams and those representing other clubs in the Orient. Fifteen or 20 years ago interport matches were held between the Manila Polo Club and teams from Hongkong, and it is hoped that the present visit of the Singapore squad to Manila may be the beginning of an enlarged interport competition.

#### Softball

## China Beats Portugal in Final Game

China copped the International Softball Shield yesterday when they subdued Portugal 8 to 2 in a game that upset the dopesters. Portugal tallied first in the second stanza with a couple of markers, but were held scoreless thereafter behind the masterful pitching of Bill Woo, who only allowed the Rambling Reds four scattered bingles.

To make the day complete, the Chinese humbled the Filipino females 14 to 9 in a run-away Women's international game, featured by some heavy slugging by the victors. Shortstop May Chung, and hurler Lilly "Sunshine" Mar homered for the Chinese while Chung and third sacker Ella China tied.

Fausta Dimanlig, diminutive slaban of the Philippines, shone for the losers with a triple and a bingle at two times up, and chasing in a couple of her mates.

#### Result

Softball scores over the week-end were: Finals of the International Series (men's): China 8, Portugal 2. Women's: China 14, Philippines 9. Inter-Hong: Socony 11, Lucas 9. (Ten innings), Chartered Bank 15, Dutch Bank 14. Junior League: Comets 16, C.Y.M. 10; Tigers 14, St. John's 1.

amputation of his little finger. He ended this immediately. His large eyes seemed to grow larger as he said: "The only difference it has made is that I can now make 8st. easier." Peter certainly has a great sense of humour.

## What Is Wrong With Britain's Young Golf Professionals?

London, April 5. Take Alfred Padgham, Arinur Lacey, Bill Cox, Jimmy Adams, and the others. These men may win a tournament—two tournaments—with totals of 282, and, indeed, play brilliant golf to do it.

Twelve months later, however, you are just as likely to find them struggling to qualify for a place in the final stages of those very same tournaments.

#### ALWAYS THERE

You did not find that with the Mitchells, the Duncans, the Compsons, the Fred Robsons, and the Charles Whitcombes in their day. They were always there or thereabouts.

You cannot say the same of the boys to-day. It is 68 one day and 80 the next—not the same old 72's, 73's and 74's for week after week and month after month.

Why is it? Abe Mitchell tells it is because the men to-day play wrongly. They are always swinging the ball, he says, from right to left, instead of hitting it straight, or slightly from left to right. Very likely this is correct.

Personally I hold the view that it is because they do not go about the game in the right way (we are judging them on a tremendous high standard, remember). On that score I will tell you a story.

Cecil Denny, like several of the others, is striving for a place in the Ryder Cup team. As a result, he has cut out alcohol and cut down his smoking. He is training.

The day before the Bournemouth tournament started, he went out to dinner with three of his fellow competitors. On the menu were oysters. Three of them ordered oysters, cham-

pagne, and a couple of glasses of stout.

Denny said he would have something else—and well—because he was training and all the rest of it. Having told this he said: "But, you know, I don't want to go and make myself unpopular with the others by appearing to take everything so seriously."

Blasphemy! It is inconceivable that a man should even contemplate such a thing simply because he is training for a game which is his life's business, which demands physical perfection.

#### TOO LAZY?

He ought to take it seriously, the more seriously the better. Yet that is the case with many of them. They are afraid to train—because owners will think they are being too serious. Or perhaps they are just too lazy.

When Walter Hagen and Bob Jones had an early start in the morning of a tournament, they would play their rounds, then go back to their hotel in the afternoon and relax on their beds.

Last week I found our young fellows, in similar circumstances, hanging about the clubhouse or out on the course, watching their colleagues instead of resting.

Unless the younger professionals reorganised their outlook towards the game, we might as well discontinue the Ryder Cup. At present I can visualise our team being composed of all the same old names and no new ones.

It will be a lamentable business if this does come to pass. And I believe it will. In which case the £3,000 might just as well be thrown into the Atlantic.



Pau Ka-ping, South China "A" goal-keeper, jumps out and punches clear off Gosano's head. An exciting incident in the exhibition soccer match at Caroline Hill yesterday when the League Champions defeated a weak Interport XI by four goals to three.—*Staff Photographer*.



# NANCY



## Man Who Made The Wolves What They Are

### Professional Football Player to a Major During World War

#### MAJ. FRANK BUCKLEY

London. The Wolves! There's a magic about that name nowadays—a magic that once belonged exclusively to the Arsenal.

It spells everything that is new and up to date in football: huge covered stands, changing rooms that might have been designed in Hollywood, revolutionary ideas in training, gland treatment, and, more important than anything else, a young, virile team right on the crest of the wave, writes Thomas Woodroffe.

Yet only a few years ago people were asking: "Who are these Wolves everybody's making such a fuss about?" Eleven years ago, Wolverhampton Wanderers were a struggling team in the Second Division and, if not bankrupt—well, not far off it.

The glory of Wolverhampton as a football centre seemed to have departed for ever, and the pre-war sequence of eighteen years unbroken membership of the First Division was like a dream.

Immediately after the war the Wolves had been left in a season in the dim obscurity of the newly formed Northern Section of the Third Division—they'd got out of that quagmire, but they were still only struggling.

Then, in 1928, a burly, five-foot-eleven man in a blue, keen-eyed man with a sharp, business-like manner. His name was Frank Buckley.

Now, after eleven years, Buckley has got the Wolves into the Cup Final. The overdraft that greeted him on his first day in the Wolverhampton office is a credit of nearly £100,000, there's no mortgage on the ground—think of that, no mortgage!—the gates average over 30,000 a match, and the Wolves are right back on the map.

#### £2,500 A YEAR

In four years Major Buckley had the Wolves back in the First Division, where they belong, and they have never looked back.

He hasn't done so badly for himself, either. Before the war he was a professional footballer with Derby County and Bradford City, earning three or four quid a week (salaries being much lower in those days).

Now he enjoys and fully earns a salary of £2,500. He has a life contract as manager of the Wolves, and his life has been insured for £10,000 by his club.

#### HE'S A SELLER

Looking back over the long history of Association football in England, there's only one man who has made such a mark—the first big spender.

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NEXT CHANCE

AT THE KING'S

the man who knew what he wanted and got it, the late Herbert Chapman, of Huddersfield Town and Arsenal.

Chapman believed in buying ready-made players—he gave £10,000 for David Jack. He paid out £9,000 odd for Alex James, and got his money back over and over again.

Frank Buckley only believes in huge transfer fees when he's at the receiving end. His method is to get players in the raw—make them—and then sell—if it suits him. The Wolves' unrivalled financial position is largely due to transfer fees received.

Buckley, like Chapman, is ruthless and determined, but his methods are different. He believes in youth on the field, and, what's more, youth that has been taught and moulded to his own design.

Long years ago he decided that the only road to the top was the one of his own choosing. He would find his own players and find them young—no ready-made reputations for him. If any reputations were to be made, they would be made under his tutelage. He wanted two-footed players with the speed and stamina of Sydney Wooderson.

He made mistakes—who doesn't? But he went on until he got them then he trained them, handled them right and now he'll watch the result of his labours at Wembley, on April 20.

#### HAD TO FIGHT

He has had to fight for his theories and fight hard. He has had his failures, and knows what it feels like to have the mob parading in front of the stand and howling for his head on a charger.

On these occasions Buckley didn't but an eyelid. He knew that his methods were right. He was going to turn this second-rate provincial team into a rival to the Arsenal. Let them howl. They'd be cheering one of these days. He was right. That same mob now parades in front of the stand cheering instead of howling.

#### LONDON BECKONS

He has produced the most prosperous club in the history of football in a town of only 133,000 population. Any manager will tell you that he (the manager, not Buckley) could work wonders with a wealthy London club—that's what they all think, anyhow.

If that is so, what could Buckley do in London? Bristol and Nottingham have populations three times as large as Wolverhampton, and yet they have quite undistinguished teams.

And it is possible that Buckley may find himself in London one day. He is ambitious and a man of action, and he can probably terminate his life contract at Wolverhampton if he wants to. If the offer were tempting enough, he might be the first £5,000-a-year manager—you can be pretty sure that Major Frank Buckley would come up and conquer the capital.

#### PRO. TO MAJOR

Frank Buckley, three-pounds-a-week professional footballer, gained the rank of major in the war.

He joined the Footballers' Battalion under Colonel Grantham, an old Indian cavalry officer. Buckley was a promising recruit, and finally became second in command of the battalion when Colonel H. T. Fenwick, D.S.O., took it to France.

It was in the Army that Buckley learned how to handle men, and in particular that rather knobby type of man, the professional footballer. Colonel Grantham died a year or two ago at the age of 60, and he often said that footballers were difficult material to lick into shape as soldiers—but they made good soldiers.

He used to say of that great international centre-forward, Vivian



Fred MacMurray—as a hard-boiled newspaperman—shows the romantic aspect of life on the other side of Fifth Avenue. A lovely Madeline Carroll—the flower of the upper crust—in "Cafe Society," Paramount's gay satire on life among the Upper 400. The picture is being shown simultaneously at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres.

#### Golf

### PADGHAM WINS IN RE-PLAY

London, Apr. 22. Alfred Padgham, of Sunbridge Park, won the Silver King Golf Tournament re-play at Moorpark today. R. Burton, of Sale, retiring at the 33rd, hole when Padgham was nine strokes ahead.

Padgham led by seven strokes at the end of the morning round, the respective scores for which were 74 and 81.

Padgham and Burton had tied with an aggregate of 285.

T. Collings, of Swinton Park, and C. S. Denny, of Thorpe Hall, were joint third with 280 each.

Reginald Whitcombe, the "Open" champion aggregated 288, and Henry Cotton, the Ryder Cup captain, totalled 289.—*Reuter*.

Woodward, that he just hated drill and above all, polishing buttons. But Woodward became the champion Mills bomb-thrower in the battalion, and soon no one would go near him—he always had his pockets full of bombs.

Three other present-day managers were in that famous battalion—Jack Tressaden, of Plymouth Argyle, Angus Seed, manager of the victorious Barnsley, and Charlie Bell, of Bournemouth, who was Buckley's batman.

#### WELL HATED

Frank Buckley is a complex character and for that reason he's well loved and well hated.

He has his fair share of guile—he couldn't be a football manager if he hadn't. He is ambitious and tough, but there's a streak of kindness in the man.

As an old player himself, he can see the player's point of view; he recognizes that players have rights and are entitled to a fair dividend if they behave loyally and give of their best.

As an ex-second in command of a battalion in war time, he is a strict disciplinarian. He won't have players stirring up strife or questioning policy—which, after all, is none of the player's business.

Above all, he is fair and his players know they'll get a square deal from him. For instance, he never leaves a player up in the air without summer wages.

If a player he does not want to retain is good enough and commands a fee, he is transferred during the

#### LOCAL YACHTING

### Corinthian Cruisers Race Won By Norena

Norena won the Corinthian cruisers race held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday in which two out of three competitors finished the course. Details:

	Finished	Corrd Pos.
Norena	13.55.00	14.10.30
(J. E. Potter)		
Azuma	14.22.40	14.18.41
(E. B. Lambert)		
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season. If he is not transferred by the end of the season the player is placed on the retained list and gets his summer money.

Buckley will always find a man a fresh start. He expects perfect physical fitness and likes players who are anxious to get on and better themselves.

Buckley really hit the front pages when he took up gland treatment. Then he introduced two sixteen-year-old boys in the League eleven at the same time—the first manager ever to do so.

It was he who first suggested number-bearers—an idea he borrowed from the Rugby League. He's always advocated having old players as referees—much as you have old players as first-class umpires in cricket.

#### MISERABLE

If it's a close game at Wembley there'll be two very miserable-looking gentlemen sneaking away to the back of the stand unable to stand the strain of watching.

One will be a big, blue man with a keen eye; the other a smallish, happy, neat little man wearing spats. One will be Frank Buckley, and the other Jack Tinn, the Portsmouth manager.

#### WIFE HELPS

Frank Buckley owes a lot to his charming wife, a student of psychology, who helps him to give individual attention to his players. Her advice has played a big part in the mental speeding-up which is so noticeable about these young Wolves.

Buckley and his wife are a happy pair. Their favourite hobby is dog-breeding and they have won many prizes with their Welsh terriers and black retrievers.

Buckley will go down in history as the man who found his footballers in the by-ways and set them on the by-pass to fame.

### MIDDLESEX DEFEATED AT MACAO

#### Clean Soccer Game At The Canidrome

Macao, Apr. 23. In the soccer encounter between the Middlesex Regiment and the Macao eleven at the Canidrome enclosure this afternoon, the local team bent the visitors by three goals to nil after a hard struggle. The match was extremely clean from start to finish and was enjoyed immensely by the large crowd.

The strenuous efforts of the Middlesex forwards tested the Macao defence to the utmost and the excellent work of Chiang, right-back, received well-deserved applause. Arosa was alert at centre-half and combined with Cordova to feed the Macao right wing so that Rego was a constant danger to the Middlesex defence. Rego was always a fast worker beating Cooper on several occasions but seldom trying a shot at goal.

Drake was dependable in the Middlesex goal and the match was so evenly contested during the first period that the goal from a header by Guerreiro a minute from the interval came as a surprise.

Upon resumption, Bright was seen to advantage and with Whitehouse and Wilkinson, deprived of Colace and Guerreiro of many opportunities. Excitement ran high as a splendid shot by Pearson slipped from Carvalho's hands and the ball came to a dead halt a foot from the Macao goal. Assis was responsible for the second goal following a neat pass and Lopes registered the third.

Teams: Middlesex.—Drake; Thompson, Cooper; Whitehouse, Bright; Wilkinson; Mogridge, R. Thomas, Pearson, Saw, C. Thomas. Macao.—Carvalho; Chiang Sheang-ching; Lobato, Cordova, Arosa, Nito Sousa; Rego, Colacao, Guerreiro, Assis, Lopes.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

#### Baseball

### NEW YORK OUTFITS SUCCEED

#### Full Programme For First Time

New York, Apr. 23. For the first time since the current Baseball season commenced, a full programme of matches was played in the Major League to-day, four games being decided in each division. The following were the results:

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Boston	2	7	2
New York	4	12	1
Pittsburgh	2	6	0
Cincinnati	7	12	2

(Brubaker homered for the Pirates and Berger for the Reds).

Brooklyn 4 | 11 | 4 |

Philadelphia 5 | 7 | 1 |

(Lazzeri and Camilli homered for the Dodgers).

Chicago 6 | 10 | 3 |

St. Louis 5 | 8 | 3 |

(Marty homered for the Cubs and Medwick and Mize for the Cardinals).

(Gordon homered for the Yankees).

Philadelphia 12 | 11 | 2 |

Boston 8 | 12 | 1 |

Detroit 6 | 15 | 0 |

Cleveland 0 | 4 | 1 |

(Rowe pitched for the Tigers).

St. Louis 4 | 9 | 1 |

Chicago 17 | 10 | 2 |

(Hogg homered for the Browns, and Walker, McNair and Kreevich for the White Sox).—*Reuter*.

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### OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"The Sisters" (King's to-day).—This really should be called "The Wife," for although it touches briefly on the marital progress of two sisters, this sentimental melodrama concentrates on the third. She marries a drunken newspaper reporter and then suffers with fine restraint through the whole catalogue of domestic tragedies. In this role, Betty Davis is given the opportunities for good acting, while Errol Flynn is the drunken reporter. Anita Louis, Ian Hunter, Dick Foran, Beulah Bondi and Donald Crisp are others in the cast.

"Cafe Society" (Queen's and Alhambra, to-day).—Though this yarn about a spoiled heiress and the reporter who she marries to win a bet, expecting an immediate divorce, has an artificial taste about it, the treatment is good and the film is quite entertaining. With the aid of her grandfather, the young man manages to straighten her out, though some of his own actions are not above criticism. Madeline Carroll is the lovely heiress and Fred MacMurray the reporter. Shirley Ross and others give good support.

"Men Are Such Fools" (Oriental, to-day).—They certainly are, if Jimmy (Wayne Morris) is a fair example. His wife (Betty Hutton) tries to mix marriage to him with a career and has difficulties. Plenty of drinking scenes. Humphrey Bogart, Penny Singleton and Hugh Herbert help things along.

"Holiday" (Majestic, to-day).—Excellent new film treatment of the Barry play which argues that money isn't everything. There seems to be a trend towards this type of plot these days. Cary Grant decides that moderate wealth and a right to decide his own life pattern are worth more than millions, yachts, and a "house with an elevator." He gets his freedom and also Katharine Hepburn, offstage daughter of the wealthy household. Direction, screen play and acting are splendid throughout. Doris Nolan, Lew Ayres, Edward Everett Horton and Binnie Barnes are the principal supporting players.

"The Great Waltz" (Cathay,

### SPORT ADVTs THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fourth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 6th May, 1939 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; The Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shau Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 27th April, 1939.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.


to-day).—A bit too elephantine for three-quarters of the time. Julien Duvivier has managed to slip in a few of his characteristically brilliant directorial flourishes, but they are mostly overwhelmed by lavish opulence. Still the music compensates for much.

### MGM PICTURES AMONGST THE CHAMPIONS

The local offices of MGM have been informed that the six Box-office champions for the month of February in the United States included two Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer productions. They were "Idiot's Delight" and "Pygmalion," the latter an adaptation of George Bernard Shaw's play. Both of these productions are due for release in Hongkong in the near future.

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## STOCKING THE LINEN CUPBOARD

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If you are blessed with generous cupboard room, and an elastic allowance, so much the better for you. Remember, too, there is every prospect of finding afternoon tea and towel accessories among your wedding gifts, so leave some of these purchases to the very last.

THE life of your linen depends on regular rotational use and temperature-tuned storage. Be sure to watch your stocks and replenish ranks at the first sign of wear. The more items allowed to each set the less they come into action, so their span is proportionately lengthened.

Linen in reserve allows for over-looking and mending, and this is wise for hard-worked sheets or pillowslips. These fibres need rest and recuperation as much as our garments do.

For bed linen and towels there is wide variety in colour and weave. Coloured sheets are easier for home laundering, and there is greater scope for harmonising with predominant notes of a scheme. Linen is traditional for hard wear, but "union" mixtures, or Egyptian cotton, make popular sheets. These are warmer in use, cheaper to buy and they take the soft pastel tints which are so fashionable just now.

Test for durability lies in the weave, so hold up a corner to the light and watch the way of the threads. Close, even, criss-crossing indicates firm texture, with every prospect of it keeping shape after repeated wear and washings. Pre-washed or pre-shrunk material is helpful to buy and you should look for colour fast guarantees and quality test labels.

Weight gives very little index to actual quality because sizing, china clay and other dressings are introduced into some cheaper materials to patch up on poorer weaves. After laundering these fabrics appear impoverished and frayed, if you are doubtful rub a sample between your finger and thumb over some dark surface and you will soon see if fine powder falls beneath.

ALWAYS buy bed linen to suit your bed measurements, as nothing is so comfortable as a scrimped tuck-in allowance. Watch decorations and finish, too. Hem stitching is attractive but weakening to fabric, so cord stitching replaces it to a large extent. If you are set on drawn thread work, choose the sheets of generous length to allow for renovations later. This way you can have fresh hems put in for you when the time comes.

Take exact dimensions of pillows for well-fitting slips. Too tight a fit is hard and uncomfortable, while too large a case is flapping and untidy. By the way, extra pillowcase is a wise investment for emergency use, and many people have them instead of bolsters. Thus all top and under cases are of standard size. Linen is refreshing for pillow slips, so remember to include at least a few for the warmer weather.

Linen excels for towels and there are several weaves from which to choose. Plain patterns are best for consistent hard wear, as there is impact support when threads interlock evenly. Frequent dampening means greater strain for the fibres, so this is quite important.

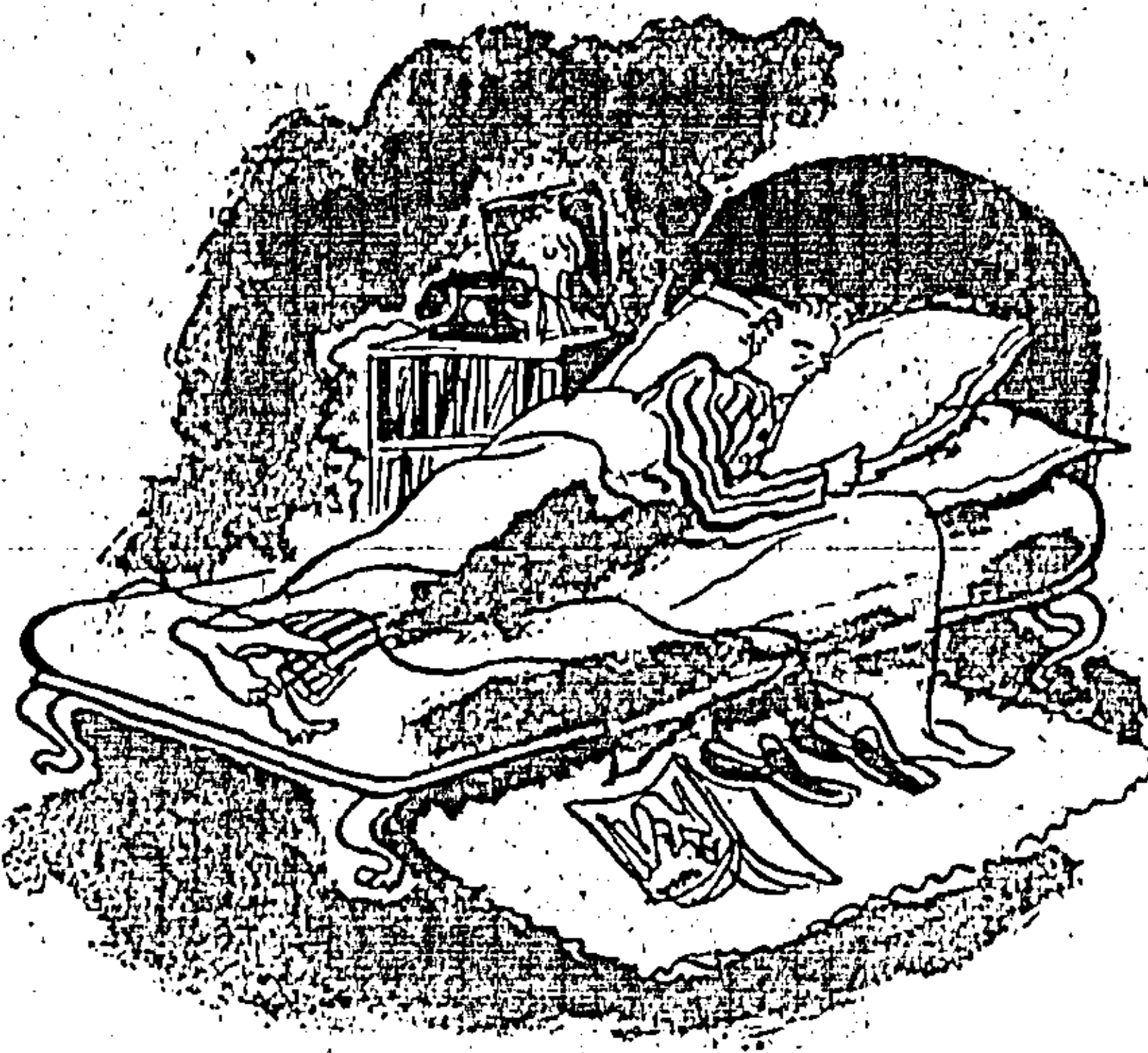
LINEN storage needs careful planning. You need an even dry temperature, with good ventilation, and there must be freedom from steam or dampness, as this causes mildew.

Contrary to modern house design the bathroom is not the best location for the linen chest, nor is too close proximity to hot-water pipes, as this brings speedy yellowing. There is a lot to be said for a built-in press with slatted wooden shelves, and provision for occasional airing. Low consumption gas or electric heaters are excellent for cupboard conditioning, and many of these screw down to the floor as permanent equipment. Line up the shelves with cut-down disused damask, old sheeting, or a cheap glazed, bolt proof binding, and leave deep flap fronts to fold back on the finished piles. Each section holds together when tied with deep linen bands, colour bound to match. This way you are sure of rotation in everything.

Mark everything in a definite position, such as the top left corner or for sheets the bottom hem. An inventory helps for checking laundry returns, tracing lost articles, or for keeping useful records of the life of your linen. A ruled-off exercise book answers the purpose, while a single sheet list makes easy reference from the back of the door.

If linen is being stored for any long period, stow away free of starch or dressing wrapped in blue tissue paper to keep it sweet and fresh. While valuably protective for daily use, starch tends to yellow stored linen, and sometimes starts rotting in the fibres.

Blankets are another problem, as they not only need dry storage, but



Buy bed linen to suit your bed measurements. Nothing is so comfortable as a scrimped tuck-in allowance.

## What to Buy

THREE of everything is a good rule for household linen, and this allows one in use, one in the wash, and a spare one for emergency. Of course, the more you can allow the better things will last, as it levels up on wear.

### BEDROOM LINEN

Three pairs of sheets to each bed—good length for tuck-in. Three pillowslips to each pillow. Two under-slips to each pillow. Two bolster-cases or two under pillow-cases.

### BLANKETS

Three for each bed. Under blankets—one to each bed. (When elderly-downs are used two good fleecy blankets are often sufficient.) Mattress covers to requirements. Spring mattress pads or protectors.

### TOWELS

Three bath-towels per person—Turkish or Terry towelling. Six face-towels per person (huckaback is excellent wearing; linen damask or linen diaper for fine face-towels). Bath sheets if required. Towel bath-mats—two to three. Small guest-towels—one dozen. Lavatory cloths—six. Small razor-towels—four to six. (These save accidents with larger towels.)

### TABLE LINEN

Fashions vary a good deal in this section, but it is best to allow three sets for each kind of table setting. Three breakfast-sets. Three luncheon-sets. One to two special dinner-sets, or if table-cloths are preferred—three damask or artificial silk table-cloths, with table napkins to match. (Three per person or half a dozen to match each cloth.) Afternoon tea-sets, with small knee napkins. Six tray-cloths or trolley-cloths. For a highly polished table—one heat-proof undercover for use with table-cloths. One set heat-proof table-mats.

### KITCHEN TOWELS

These are usually "typed" and distinguishable by woven descriptions. (Always choose good material for glassware and tea-towels, as other materials "fluff" badly and wear thin.) Six glass-cloths. One dozen kitchen cloths. One dozen check dusters. One dozen soft polishing dusters. Dust-sheets as required. Three oven-cloths. Six unbleached pudding-cloths. Three roller-towels. One dozen netted dish-cloths.

practical protection from moth. Tinted linens are good for summer use, as well as precautionary spraying with insecticide and close wrapping of linens of moth-proof paper.

When you buy blankets, remember weight is not king in warmth. Neither does high fluff, because loosely woven fabric can be deceptively fluffed to look generous and inviting. Look at the weave against the light and see that it is firm and close. All-wool, pre-shrunk blankets make things simpler all round, and they sometimes sell them moth-proofed, too.

WHILE on bed linen—how many of us think we have done our bit for bedding by a daily turn and air of the mattress? We assiduously spring-clean bed frames and fittings, but sometimes forget the inner workings of the mattress. This is not enough for the Continental housewife, who keenly supervises her visiting upholsterer at his annual spring-clean visit.

Always choose the best in bedding you can rightly afford. After all, we spend one-third of our lives in bed, so it's worth while to make sure of lasting comfort.

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## "DOWN UNDER" TO BE LINKED

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## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- 1-Diplomacy
- 2-Willow in water
- 3-Tail of musical piece
- 4-Mohammedan poet
- 5-To one side
- 6-Places
- 7-At matured stage
- 8-Odor
- 9-Chinese name
- 10-Ancient Britons
- 11-Flower-bells
- 12-Charles W. soda-water
- 13-Elastic sign
- 14-Become liable to
- 15-Part of head
- 16-Measure of weight
- 17-Very cool (poetic)
- 18-Chinese name
- 19-Throw snow-ball
- 20-Have dinner
- 21-Hill
- 22-South American
- 23-Variety of pigeon
- 24-Tail tree
- 25-Oum derived from insects
- 26-Barren place
- 27-African antelope
- 28-Dead Chinese plants
- 29-Drumming
- 30-Fox played
- 31-Tossing part
- 32-Deceives
- 33-Dial on elevated point
- 34-Change
- 35-Gutter (obsolete)

DOWN

- 1-Bold of generation
- 2-Mohammedan
- 3-Tightly drawn
- 4-Opium material
- 5-Imposed penalty on
- 6-Becomes acid
- 7-County in Tennessee
- 8-Departed easily
- 9-Vicious man
- 10-Mort and snappy
- 11-Wickedness
- 12-Smooth breathing
- 13-Vivid yellow bloom
- 14-Scraped ditch
- 15-College official
- 16-Measure of capacity

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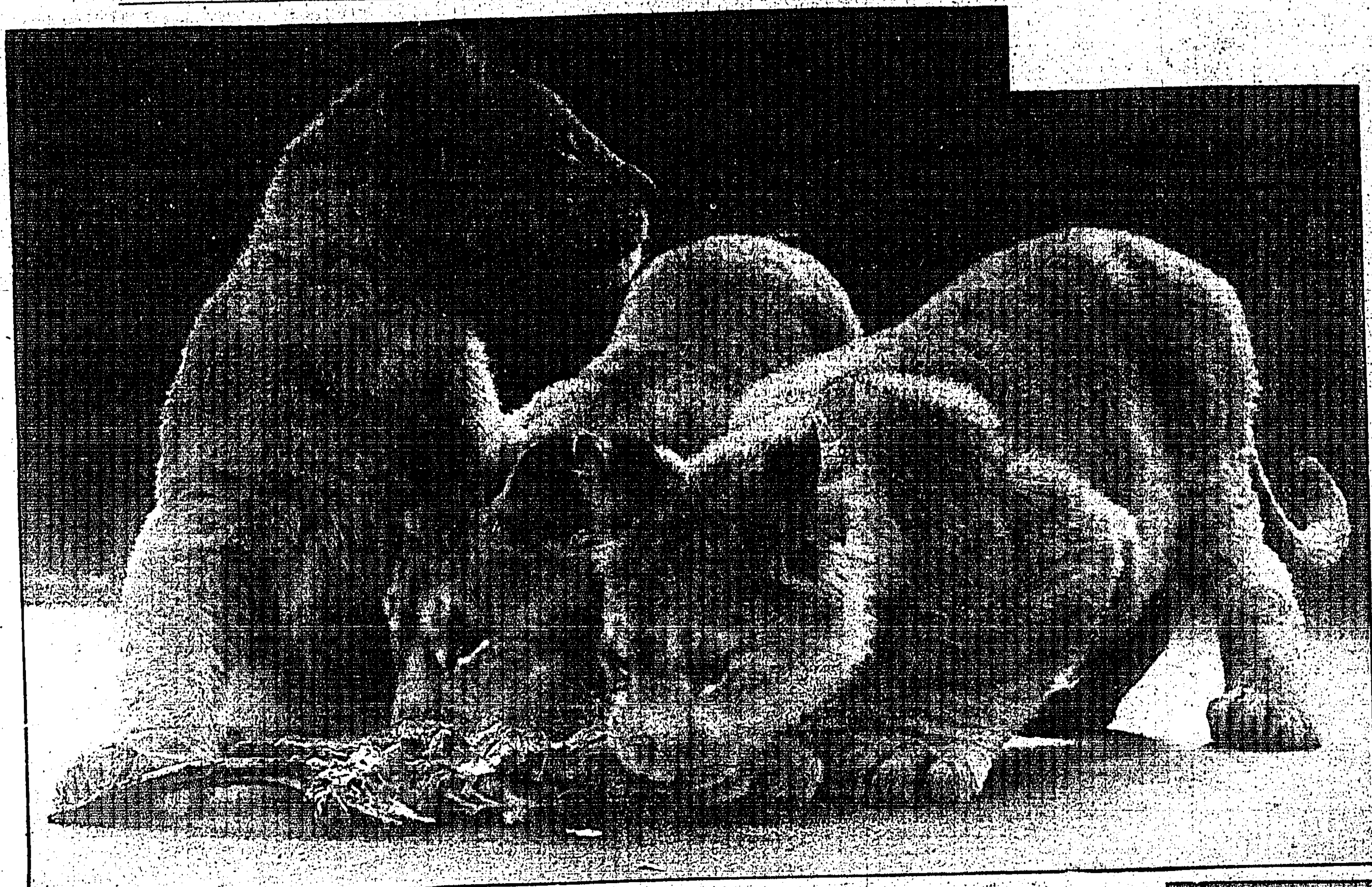
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THE triplets born to Mr. and Mrs. Alistair, of Regents Park, N.W., were six months old when the photographer called and found them in the middle of a luncheon party (above) in celebration of the event. After the birth of the triplets last September, Mr. Alistair was on guard almost continuously at the door of the nursery, and it was impossible to gain admittance. Lately, however, the triplets have been allowed to take the air, and are often seen in the Park with their mother, the beautiful Lurline. Their father, whose dignity is a byword, is not so often seen with them, as they have been known to pull his hair in public—a proceeding of which he has never approved.



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WE hear and see a lot of boat race crews in the limelight of rehearsal on the tideway, but what happens in the wings, so to speak, is not so generally known.

H. P. V. Massey, diminutive cox of the Oxford crew, finds his duties interfere with his golfing, so he consoles himself (above, right) by practising chip shots from a table top into a wastepaper basket.

Owners of the shoes above are on the water in the Cambridge boat. The dog ensures that their shoes are still available when they return to dry land.

The other Boat Race took place recently when Oxford and Cambridge women's University crews met at Oxford. Miss E. Bond, the Oxford cox, studies the rule book before her crew start on a practice spin on the Isis.



**Social Items**

The wedding took place last week at the Church of Christ the King, Shanghai, of Mr. Frank Hillon, younger son of Mr. Richard Hillon of Liverpool, and the late Mrs. Hillon, and Miss Nora Knox, elder daughter of Mr. Richard Knox, of Shanghai, and the late Mrs. Knox.

At the Church of the Immaculate Conception, recently, Mr. William Miller, of the Sarnock Oldfields, Mirl and Miss Dorothy Carrier, the younger daughter of Mrs. A. C. Carrier, were joined in holy matrimony.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Yan Hol-poon, barrister-at-law, to Miss Pui Chee-kwok, of 30 Robinson Road; Mr. George Lay, broker, to Miss Isabel Chan, of 27 Kent Road, Kowloon; and Mr. Lau Hui-fan, factory manager, to Miss Lai Lau-yu, of 46 Tai-po Road, Shamshuipo.

**YENCHING ALUMNI  
Local Body Entertains  
Visiting Professor**

The Yenching University Alumni Association in Hongkong met yesterday evening at the Y.W.C.A. to entertain Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, President of the Yenching University. Dr. Stuart came to Hongkong from Peking to attend the joint conference of the Christian Universities in China and the annual meeting of the China Foundation for the Promotion of Education and Culture, both of which have just been concluded.

More than 80 men and women alumni, including Professor Hsu Tsi-chang of Hongkong University, were present. Dr. Stuart, supported on the latest and latest of Yenching University at the party. The eminent educator will stay in Hongkong for a few days more after which he will leave for Chungking via Haiphong and Kunning—Central News.

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## Interference To Reception Of Daventry

DURING recent months, the causes of certain types of interference on frequencies used by Daventry have been among the most discussed in the Press. This article, specially prepared for the use of the Oversea Press by the Engineering Division of the BBC, deals with this subject, and describes some of the many types of interference that may affect short-wave services.

THE BBC IS VITALLY INTERESTED in the question of securing clear channels for the Empire Service, and maintains a constant watch at its receiving station at Tatsfield, Kent, on all the Daventry frequencies. As a result of this work, it can be said that no cases of deliberate interference to Daventry have been observed.

That interference to one or other of the frequencies used by Daventry does occur from time to time is admitted, but, in view of the vast number of stations, both broadcasting and commercial, operating on wavelengths below 50 metres, a certain amount of trouble is almost inevitable.

Interference occurs, for example, when adjacent stations attempt to work too close together—i.e., with less than a ten kilocycles per second separation between their respective frequencies. This point, however, is appreciated by most broadcasting authorities, and it is hoped that this essential 10 kc/s separation between adjacent channels can be maintained in the future.

Probably the most common cause of interference is the incorrect operation of the transmitter, causing the interference, and the trouble can take two forms: (a) the radiation of strong harmonics, and (b) the operation of the transmitter on a frequency other than its correct or notified frequency. Interference from either of these causes is generally observed by the Tatsfield station, and representations are then made by the BBC to the authority concerned. On practically all occasions a cure is effected.

### A RECENT CURE

Listeners may have noticed that serious more interference to GSI, 15.26 Mc/s, in Transmission 1 has been cured. This interference was due to a commercial transmitter, actually working on its correct frequency of 7.03 Mc/s, radiating a strong second harmonic on 15.26 Mc/s. The station was identified, and after representations to the authorities concerned, alterations were made in the transmitter that suppressed the trouble.

The interference caused by stations working on frequencies other than their notified ones is rather more common. With the technical developments in transmitter design, however, a general reduction in this type of interference can be expected.

Another type of interference has also been observed, in which the interference is mainly experienced by the station on the channel adjoining one of the Daventry frequencies, some interference, owing to the type of modulation used, is also caused to the Daventry frequency in question. It is rather difficult to deal with interference of this type, but, fortunately, as far as the Empire Service is concerned, serious examples are very few.

It must be remembered, however, that it is possible for the receiving set used to be the cause of what appears to be interference. A receiver in which the "image signal rejection" is inefficient will allow a commercial station, working on its correct frequency—often widely different from the broadcasting station frequency—to cause severe interference to the broadcasting station. A more detailed explanation of this point is given in the pamphlet "Receiving the Empire Stations," a copy of which will be sent post free to any listener who applies to the BBC.

Another type of interference for which the receiver is primarily to blame is caused by insufficient adjustment of the selectivity of the set being incapable of receiving the wanted station clear of stations immediately adjacent, though their frequencies are 10 kc/s different from that of the wanted station. This question of adjacent-channel selectivity is assuming more importance with the increase in power of modern short-wave broadcasting stations.

Reports dealing with cases of interference to Daventry are greatly valued by the BBC, especially if any identifying clue—such as the call sign of the offending station—can be given.

## I.R.A. Threat To Britain

Dublin. A statement by the "Army Council" of the I.R.A., which was read in Dublin recently, stated that activities of the "expeditionary force" in Britain had been carried through with a degree of success.

Those activities did not involve loss of life, but the decision to avoid this was a conditional provision. If Britain had recourse to any extraordinary measures in future, that decision by the I.R.A. might be revoked.

The statement also called for the abolition of partition in Ireland and absolute separation from England. It added that recognition of the separate nationality of Scotland and Wales had already been accorded by the I.R.A., and therefore activities by the I.R.A. were being confined to England.

This statement was read at an I.R.A. parade to commemorate the 1916 Easter rising in Dublin. The parade was closely watched by the police, but there were no incidents.

GOVERNMENT PARADE Mr. de Valera, Prime Minister, and some of his Ministers also marched in the parade in a Government parade, and laid a wreath on the graves of executed leaders at Arbour Hill. Volleys were fired and the "Last Post" was sounded.

A third procession was made up of units of the old I.R.A., which laid wreaths on a memorial in the Post Office in O'Connell-street where the rising broke out.

Here the Republican proclamation of 1916 was read. A statement from the national executive of the old I.R.A., which, although it criticises the Government, is distinct from the present-day I.R.A., said that Ireland should preserve neutrality in any European war.

Such a course would, however, be made more difficult by the continuance of relations with Britain. It was imperative that the Government should re-establish the Irish Republic and demand the withdrawal of British forces and subsidies from Northern Ireland.

"Following the re-establishment of the Republic," the statement added, "immediate steps should be taken to build up the largest possible military force with a view to the recovery of our national territory."

## Cinema Goes By Sledge

DOGS are taking the cinema to inhabitants of Yakutia, in the Soviet's Asiatic territories, some of whom have never seen a film before. Clitson Kondakov, a Soviet cinema mechanic, has just completed a 1,036-mile journey with a mobile cinema on sledges pulled by teams of dogs. He stopped at winter settlements and set up his apparatus in log cabins.

## Society 210 Years Old

PHILADELPHIA. The Welsh Society of Philadelphia has celebrated its 210th anniversary. It is accredited as the oldest social and benevolent organization in the United States.

## BUENOS AIRES RIOTING

Election Fever In Argentina

BUENOS AIRES, Apr. 23.

SERIOUS POLITICAL disturbances have broken out in the north-east province of San Juan, and have necessitated energetic action on the part of the Federal Government.

The ostensible cause of the unrest was the forthcoming election of the new Governor, which is due to take place at the end of April.

Violent disputes arose among the supporters of the various party groups.

A wild shooting affray suddenly burst out in the provincial capital of San Juan. The chief of the secret police was shot and wounded. Police later made over 100 arrests, among those taken into custody being a newspaper reporter.

### Restoring Peace

In order to restore peace, the Minister for Internal Affairs sent the chief of the Fourth Division, placing under his orders all the military and police forces of the province.

To strengthen the armed forces there, more than 100 police officers and men from Buenos Aires, together with a detachment of emergency police have been sent to San Juan, equipped with tear gas bombs, and other special weapons.—Trans-Ocean.

## Assault Charge Adjourned

The charge of assaulting a police officer against H. Mueller, of Hankow Road, Kowloon, was adjourned for a further five days at the Central Court this morning.

In asking for the adjournment, the Police prosecutor said that the victim was still in hospital.

## German Reprisals

Berlin, Apr. 23. Three British business men have been expelled from Hamburg as a reprisal for the recent expulsion of German Secret Police agents from Britain.—United Press.

## Champion Potato Family

Digby, N. S. A family here claims a record for yearly consumption of potatoes. The family, which is composed of the father, mother, 14 children and 21 grandchildren, consume 10 bushels of potatoes a month. A special pot is used to boil them for each meal.

TOKYO, Apr. 24.—Seventeen workers and firemen were injured in explosion in the Chiyocho Chemical Factory in the suburbs of Tokyo on Saturday afternoon.

Spontaneous combustion of natrium is blamed for the explosion.—Domel.

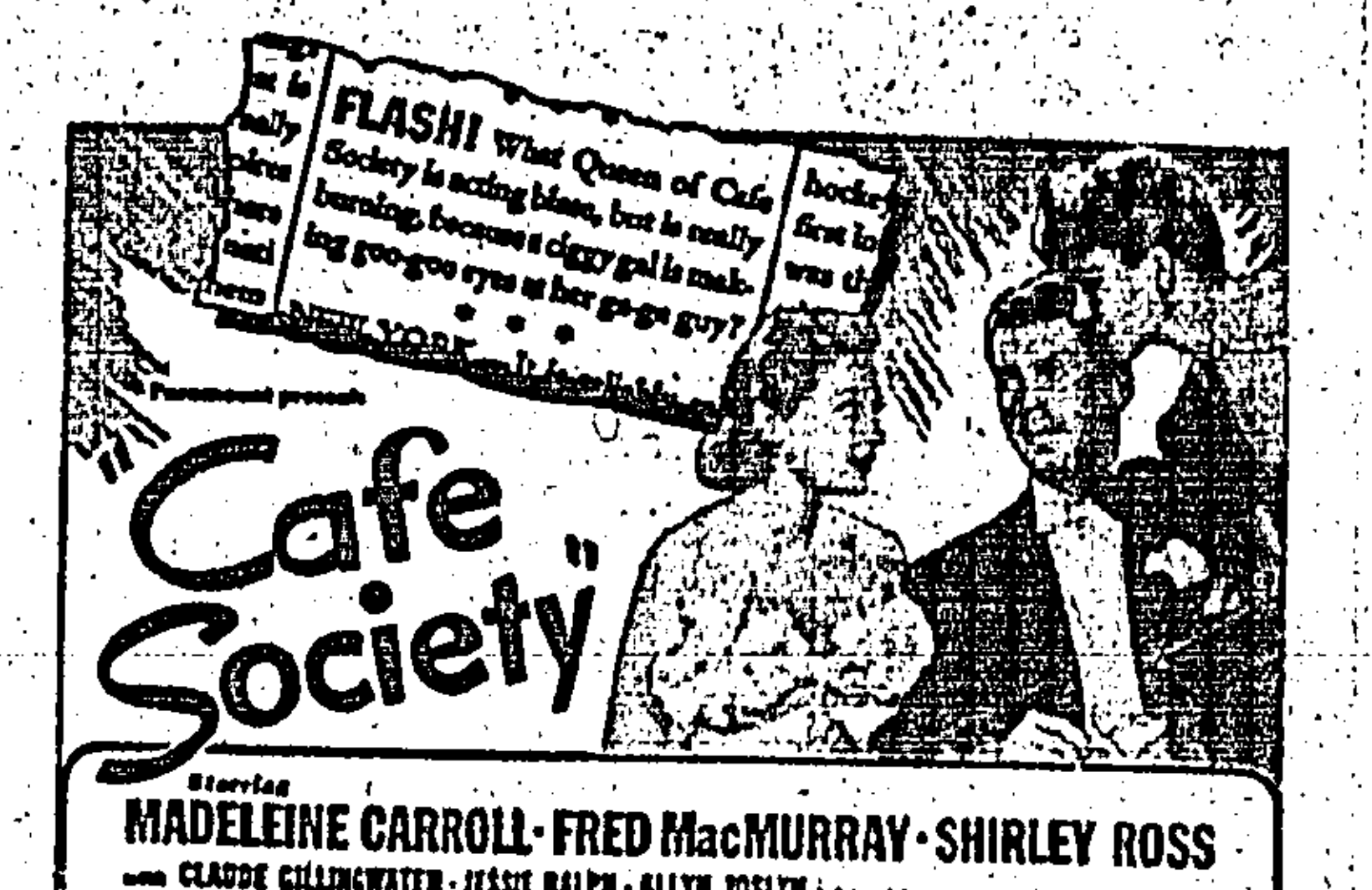
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**NATURALISATION FEE**

New Scale of Charges Now In Force

The following table of fees charged under the British Nationality and Status of Aliens Ordinance is now in force:

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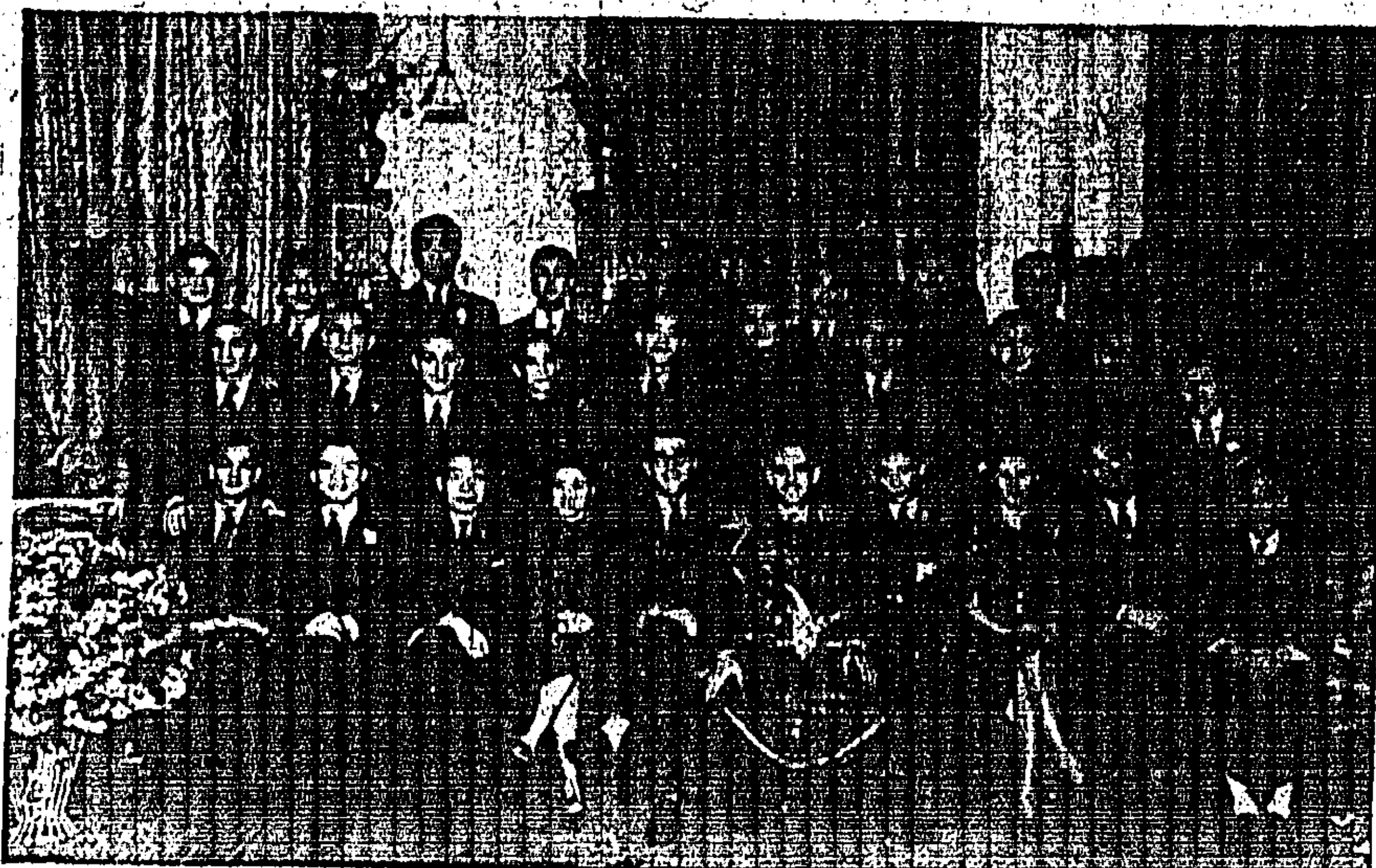
Certified copy of any declaration or certificate, with or without oath, \$8.

Of the fee of \$100 for naturalisation, \$40 shall be payable on submission and shall not be returned under any circumstances, and \$120 on receipt of the decision to grant a certificate.









Group photograph taken at a recent farewell party given by members of the staff of the Wiseman Cafe to Mr. D. A. Webb, retiring manager.—Ming Yuen.

## MEDITERRANEAN UNITS FOR EASTERN CRUISE

MALTA, Apr. 23.—It is officially announced that several units of the Mediterranean fleet are leaving here on Wednesday for a cruise in the eastern Mediterranean.

The units comprise the first battle squadrons, without the battleship Ramilles, the first cruiser squadron, without the cruiser Sussex, the aircraft-carrier Glorious, and three destroyer flotillas.—Reuter.

## Conscription Issue

### Cabinet Consideration At To-day's Meeting

LONDON, Apr. 23.

THE QUESTION of conscription is likely to be raised at tomorrow's Cabinet meeting.

A memorandum on the subject will be submitted by a Minister, though it is possible no immediate decision will be reached.

The Cabinet will hear Sir John Simon's budget proposals, concerning which there is some anxiety lest the income-tax be increased, and sugar, tobacco and tea are mentioned as possible fresh sources of revenue.—Reuter.

The P. & O. liner "Lahore" left Moll on Saturday instant and is due here on Thursday at about 6 a.m.

## Japanese Buy China's Gold

### Can't Be Sold To Foreign Banks

CANTON, Apr. 24.

MODIFYING the recent order strictly prohibiting the sales of silver and gold by private individuals and concerns in Canton, the Japanese military authorities now announce that sales of these metals may be made in future to three Japanese institutions, namely the Yokohama Specie Bank, the Bank of Taiwan, and the Bank of South China.

These banks, they add, have been given authority to purchase silver and gold, not only in Canton, but also in the occupied areas in the Kwangtung province.—Reuter.

The P. & O. liner "Rajputana" left Moll on Saturday and is due here on Wednesday at about 10 a.m.

## Broadcast To World Fair

### Halifax Talks Of Common Spheres

LONDON, Apr. 23.

BROADCASTING to America and wishing success to the World's Fair in New York, Viscount Halifax said to-day:

"Let me remind you too, that in the material sphere, the work of our peoples brings mutual advantage. A prosperous Britain means a prosperous America, and since you are our best foreign customers, the converse also holds good."

The World's Fair would bring home that lesson, said Viscount Halifax. Later, in inviting his listeners to come to Britain, the Foreign Secretary said they would see "with what united resolution to preserve our ancient liberties, institutions, everything that goes to make up our way of life, we are pursuing the great task of making Britain strong."—Reuter.

## Air Mail Delay

Imperial Airways faster summer schedule has had an inauspicious beginning as far as Hongkong is concerned, for to-day, being the first delivery under the new time-table the mail has been delayed.

The Delia is expected at Kai Tak at 5 p.m. with passengers and Australian and Malayan mails only. United Kingdom and mail from other countries is expected to arrive to-morrow afternoon by the Dorado.



Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Walsh leaving the Union Church after their wedding. The bride was formerly Miss Dorothy Dransfield.—King's Studio.

## British Envoy Sees Chiang Kai-shek

Shanghai, Apr. 23.

Chinese reports from Chungking state that Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, the British Ambassador, conferred with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek at the latter's headquarters in Chungking on Saturday afternoon at a special tea service in honour of Sir Archibald.

However, details of the conversation have not been divulged, but it was added the Ambassador expected to remain in Chungking for a fortnight.—United Press.

## PALACES FOR IRAN HONEYMOONERS

### Royal Gift From The Shah

TEHRAN, Apr. 23.

FOUR DAYS of festivities in celebration of the wedding of the Crown Prince of Iran and Princess Fawzieh of Egypt began yesterday and will be brought to a climax on Tuesday, when the Shah of Iran will present the royal couple with two specially built palaces of costly stone and marble, one of which will be reserved for the bride's personal use.

Teheran is a fairy city of Egyptian and Iranian flags, gay bunting and triumphal arches. Rich Iranian carpets and costly tapestries decorate the buildings, and at night the whole capital is brilliantly illuminated and flooded.

### Royal Guests

The Duke and Duchess of Athlone were among the distinguished guests who attended a State banquet at the palace last night.

To-day's celebrations included a display by Boy Scouts and Girl Guides in the presence of the Shah and other members of the Iranian and Egyptian royal families.

To-morrow, President Majlis will give a tea party in the gardens of Parliament Building, and a banquet will be held in the evening at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

On Tuesday the Egyptian Ambassador will give a luncheon in honour of Princess Fawzieh, and the Iranian air force will give a display, followed by a military review in which British naval detachment will participate. The proceedings will end with a race meeting.

A State banquet will be given by Queen Nazli in the palace at night in honour of the Shah and Queen of Iran.—Reuter.

## Franco's Victory Celebrations

BURGOS, Apr. 23.

The Ministry of Propaganda announces that the Victory Celebrations will be held throughout Spain on May 14 and 15.

The celebrations will be centred at Madrid where General Franco will make his triumphal entry.—United Press.

### Germans Departing

MADRID, Apr. 23.

It is understood that the Condor Legion of German volunteers will leave Spain en route to Germany at the end of May.—Domel.

## HITLER RECEIVES REPLIES

### "The Bully Is Not Bullying Us"

BERLIN, Apr. 23.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD that Herr Hitler intends to mention the replies of the small nations to his questionnaire when he makes his speech at the Reichstag on Friday next.

Reliable quarters are unable to confirm the reports that discussions are soon to take place between the Axis powers, including military conversations between German, Italian and Spanish generals.

However, it is reported that Germany is planning a vigorous diplomatic campaign, particularly in South-eastern Europe, to consolidate the totalitarian position and to defeat the British and French efforts to form a "peace front."—United Press.

### Swiss Reply

Berne, Apr. 23.

The Swiss Federal Council's reply to Hitler's questionnaire was that they "had no knowledge of President Roosevelt's intentions."

"The Federal Council relies on Swiss neutrality, which is protected by its own defensive forces, and which is expressly recognised by Germany and other neighbouring States as being respected."—United Press.

### Dutch Reply

The Hague, Apr. 23.

Holland's exact reply to Hitler's questionnaire regarding President Roosevelt's message, is now known to have been as follows:

1.—The Dutch Government did not provoke President Roosevelt's message.

2.—The Dutch Government had no previous knowledge of the message.

3.—The Dutch Government does not feel threatened—but in the case of a European war, Holland will be prepared for any eventuality.

### Other Replies

Berlin, Apr. 23.

Finland, Greece, and Lithuania have communicated to Germany that they do not feel menaced by German aggression.—Domel.

## German Goods Penalised

WASHINGTON, Apr. 23.

The United States penalty duties on German exports becomes effective at midnight to-day.

However, they actually became effective at 1 p.m. when the Customs Offices closed for the day.—United Press.

TOKYO, Apr. 24.—Seventeen workers and firemen were injured in an explosion in the Chiyado Chemical Factory in the suburbs of Tokyo on Saturday afternoon.

Spontaneous combustion of sodium is blamed for the explosion.—Domel.

## NEW PARLOPHONE RECORDS.

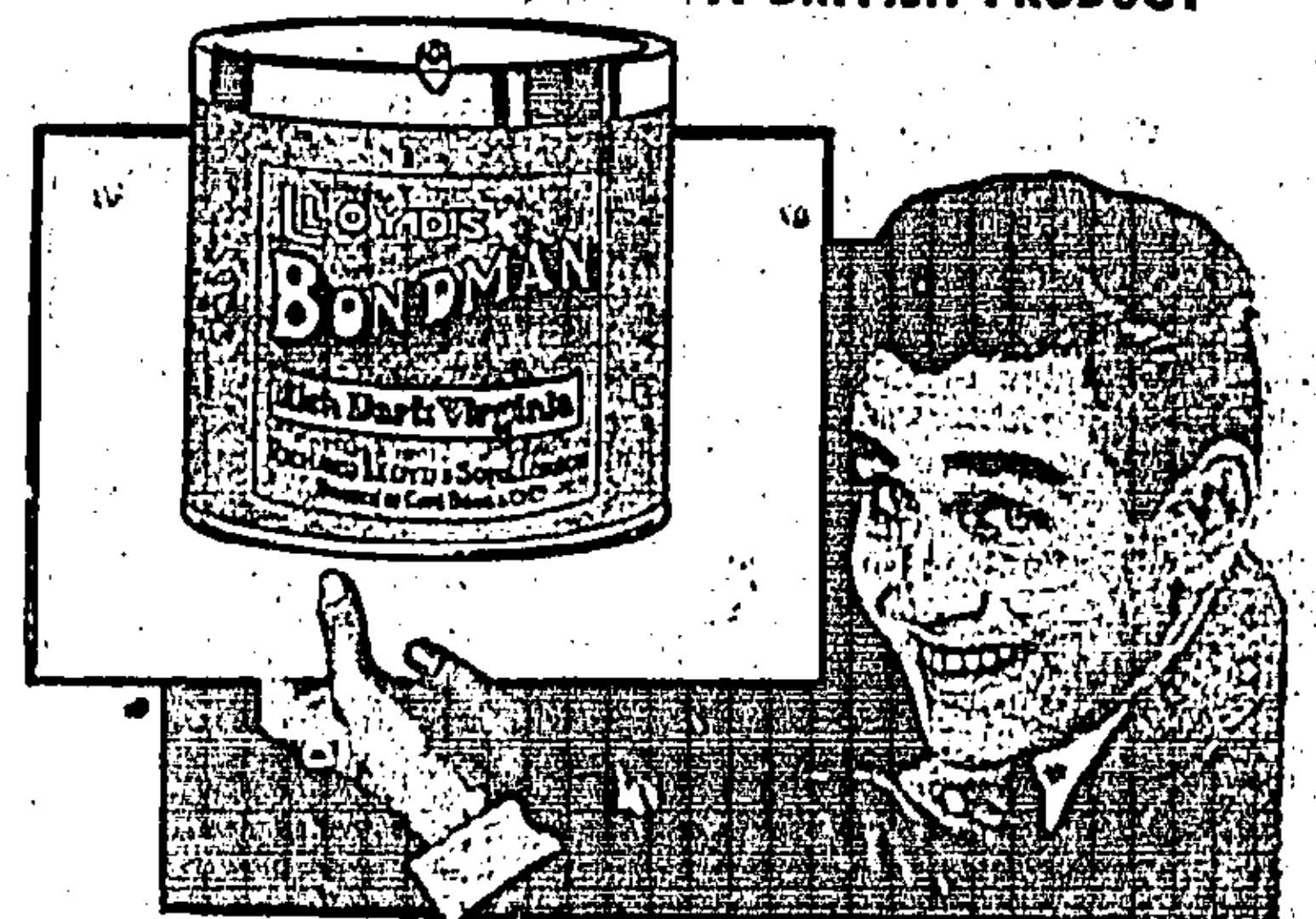
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You Must Have Been A Beautiful Baby. F.T.  
F1350. Deep In A Dream. F.T.  
Nice People. F.T.  
F1351. I Shall Always Remember You Smiling.  
Tears of My Pillow. HARRY ROY & HIS ORCHESTRA.  
F1357. Did You Go Down Lambeth Way. Q.S.  
I Shall Always Remember You Smiling. Waltz.  
F1358. Dance Time. No. 3. The Quick-Step. Medley.  
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F1369. Love Is Where You Find It. ("Garden of the Moon") F.T.  
Deep In A Dream. F.T. KAY KYSER & HIS ORCHESTRA.  
F2020. By The Black Sea. Tango.  
My Dream Tango. Tango. GEORGE BOULANGER & HIS ORCH.  
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## U.S. Flagship To Depart

The U.S.S. Augusta, flagship of the U.S. Asiatic squadron, will leave here under the command of Captain R. F. McConnell for Shanghai on Thursday morning.

Captain McConnell is chief of staff to Admiral H. E. Yarnell, the Commander-in-Chief, who is now in Shanghai.

Last night a reception to the Augusta's officers was given by Captain J. Snijper, Officer-Commanding the South China Patrol, at his home. It is understood that H.M.S. Car-

## New Sabotage Attempt Fears

HAVRE, Apr. 23.—The authorities have received anonymous warnings of possible attempts at sabotage at several vital points of the port, particularly the petroleum wharves and refineries.

Consequently, no unauthorized person is now allowed in the dock area, where every important point is closely guarded by the police.—Reuter.

diff will leave here on Saturday for England for re-fit.

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**JAPANESE SOURCES**, which for a fortnight have claimed that China's great counter-offensive has been broken, are silent to-day.

There is good cause. The Chinese troops are meeting with remarkable successes on all fronts. Nanchang, capital of Kiangsi, and Nanking, the former capital, are now menaced by the successful Chinese, who have re-captured thousands of square miles of territory.

## CHINESE CAPTURE KAOAN

### Attack On Nanchang Now Possible

CHANGSHA, Apr. 24. THE RECAPTURE of strategic Kaoan, key-town on the Nanchang-Wantsai highway on the north Kiangsi front, was claimed by Chinese forces early yesterday morning.

The recapture of Kaoan was achieved by a series of flanking movements by the Chinese forces which resulted in the re-occupation of all important heights outside the town on the afternoon of April 22. The Chinese concentrated their artillery fire on the north gate of Kaoan and after full twelve hours' pounding away blasted open a large gap through which their men poured in.

**Grenades Silence Guns**  
The Chinese stormed barbed wire positions of the Japanese and hurled hundreds of hand-grenades to silence the exciting of enemy machine-guns. Throughout the fighting, the Japanese were assisted by a squadron of planes which unloaded tons of heavy explosives on the Chinese forces but failed to turn back the assault.

**Push On Nanchang**  
Immediately on the recapture of Kaoan, the Chinese forces pushed on northward along the highway towards Nanchang and by yesterday noon re-occupied Siangtukwan, a small village three miles from Kaoan.

At the same time, Chinese forces north of the highway in the immediate vicinity of Nanchang have captured Shian and Wanshoukang, and tightened their cordon on the Kiangsi capital. Wanshoukang is only three miles south of Nanchang.

To the northwest of Nanchang on the Wuning-Nanchang highway, Chinese forces also claimed important success during the weekend. Fengsin, twice lost to the Japanese in the early part of April, is reported to be again surrounded by the Chinese.

**Success Near Nanchang**  
Changsha, Apr. 24.

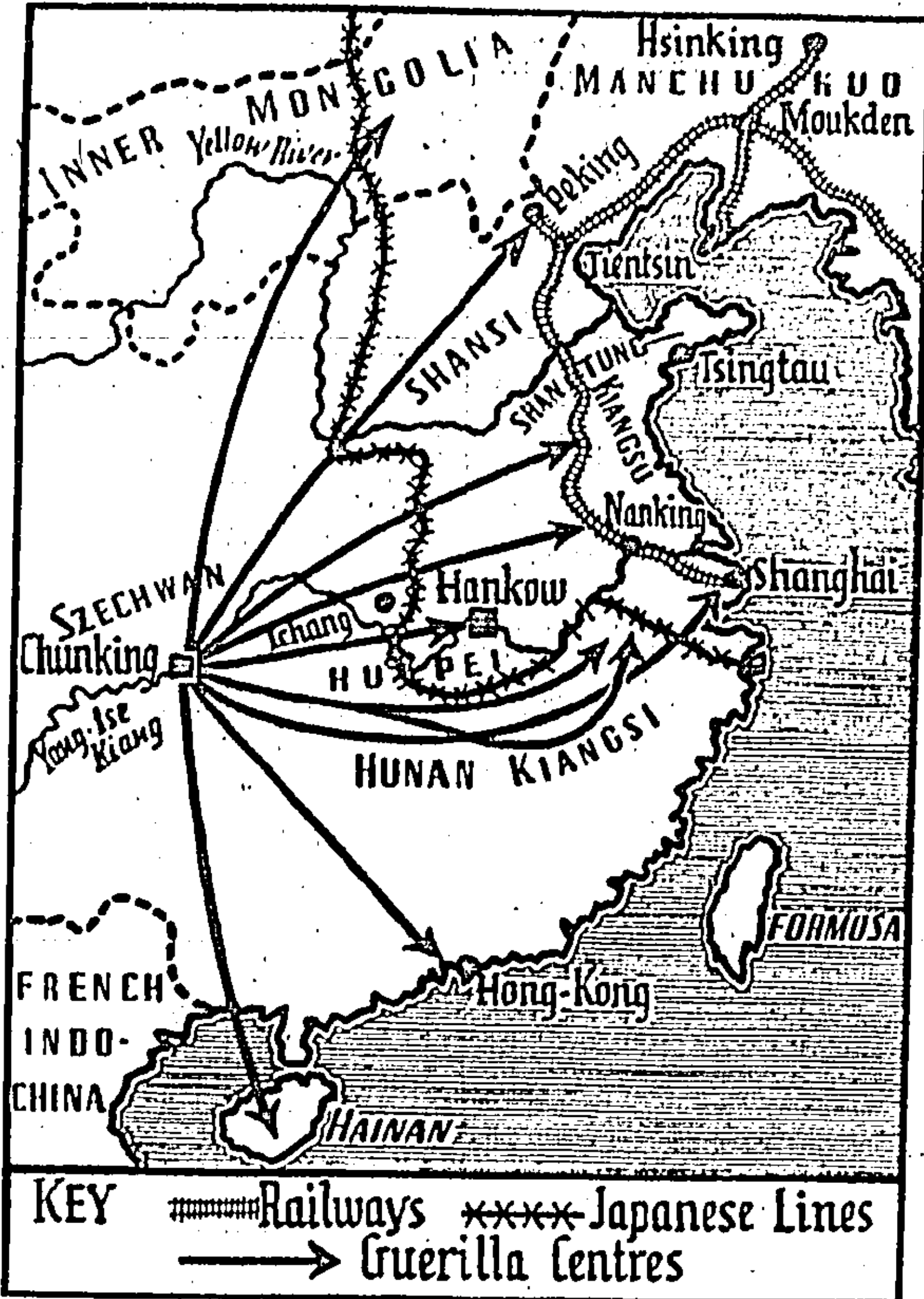
Adding another achievement to a successful day's operations, Chinese forces on the north Kiangsi front blasted their way into Shihoukang, key-position midway between Kaoan and Nanchang, yesterday evening. Shihoukang is the third strategic point on the north bank of the Ching River, a tributary of the Kan River, which the Chinese forces re-gained yesterday, the other two being Kaoan and Siangtukwan.

The Chinese forces crossed the Chin River from the south bank early yesterday morning and defied withering machine-gun fire from the opposite bank to outflank the Japanese by way of Taokun and Chieh-huailin. A bitter hand-to-hand struggle ensued in which the Chinese use of bayonets and hand-grenades finally dislodged the Japanese from their entrenched positions.

The Chinese forces after re-occupation of the town counted 200 Japanese dead on the field and captured eleven machine guns and 90 rifles.

## STRATEGIC CITIES FALL IN CHINESE DRIVE

# CAPITALS OF CHINA MAY SOON BE WON



## BRISK BATTLE FOR KONGMOON CONTINUES

THE CHINESE offensive in Kwangtung is still going strong. Vanguards of the Chinese left wing which regained Tsengshing last week, are now advancing southwesterly on the Canton-Tsengshing highway, according to the Ta Kung Pao.

Japanese defence forces stationed along the highway are subjected to incessant guerrilla attacks in co-ordination with the operation of the Chinese regulars.

On the outskirts of Tsengshing, fighting is still raging at Fuklin and Wangho, between the Japanese forces which retreated from Tsengshing and a Chinese division.

Japanese attempts to recapture Tsungfa, about 30 miles northwest of Tsengshing and the same distance northeast of Canton, were frustrated by the Chinese during the week-end.

**Artillery Duel**  
It is reported that, armed with heavy field guns, about 1,000 Japanese fiercely bombarded the Chinese positions at Tsungfa on Saturday. The Chinese artillery replied to the Japanese attack, resulting in a bitter artillery engagement unprecedented on the Tsungfa front.

The Japanese were forced to retreat further southward last night when the Chinese infantry launched a rear attack on the Japanese position under cover of darkness. It is

claimed that the invaders suffered heavy casualties.

On the Kongmoon-Sunwul front fighting is in progress at a point midway between the two cities.

**Kongmoon Position**  
The Japanese are making every effort to hold Kongmoon.

Following the recapture of Sunwul civil officials of the city have returned to the city. It is learned that the Magistrate Mr. Li Wu-tze, resumed his duties on Friday.

Heavy Japanese reinforcements have been arriving in Canton during the last two or three days. It is believed that a decisive battle will be launched by the Japanese this week to re-capture Tsengshing.

Tsungfa, Sunwul and other important points on the outer defence line of Canton, which were regained by the Chinese during the past two weeks.

It is estimated the Japanese have suffered a daily loss of 250 since the beginning of the Chinese offensive in Kwangtung.

Jenkinson, Pennsylvania, Apr. 23.—Rear Admiral Richard Byrd has announced that he is preparing a third trip to the South Pole.

"The region to be explored cannot be revealed yet, and no plans have been made," he said.—United Press.

CHUNGKING, Apr. 23. A LARGE-SCALE offensive against the Japanese in the Nanking-Chinkiang area began to-day, according to military despatches.

Chinese troops are advancing in three columns along the highway from Hangchow towards Nanking and Chinkiang, while another column, operating further east, is pushing towards Hushow (Wuhing) an important town on the south shore of Taihu Lake.

The Chinese forces which have crossed the Chientang River in the Chedang province, are said to be advancing in the direction of Hangchow.

### Kaifeng Fighting

The Chinese launched another attack on Kaifeng and surprised the Japanese. They broke through the defences, occupied the railway station and the western suburbs, and withdrew after setting fire to the Japanese supplies and munitions depots.—Reuter.

### Wuling Encircled

Shanghai, Apr. 23. According to Chinese reports, Chinese troops encircled and attacked the walls of Wuling, a city 60 miles south-west of Kiukiang.

The most furious battle since the start of the Chinese offensive resulted. Reports state that the outskirts of the city were littered with dead and dying following hand-to-hand fighting which lasted all night.

It was added that one Chinese unit blew up one of the gates, after which sanguinary street fighting took place inside the city.

It is predicted that the Chinese will occupy the city.

### Swatow Tension

Meanwhile, it is reported that the atmosphere at Swatow is tense due to the fact that two Japanese warships were sighted in Swatow Bay yesterday. It is said that civilians are evacuating, while the military authorities are taking extra precautions.—United Press.

### Kan River Carnage

Shanghai, Apr. 23. Some 300 Japanese have met a tragic death in the Kan River at Shengmikai, about nine miles south-west of Nanchang.

The Japanese were crossing the river in five junks when they were caught in a cross fire from the Chinese guerrillas operating on both banks. All the junks were sunk and the Japanese either killed by fire or drowned.—Central News.

### Big Air Raids

CHUNGKING, Apr. 23. It is reported here that there were 400 civilian casualties during the past two days when 18 Japanese planes bombed Chihkiang, on the Hunan-Kweichow border.

A hundred explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped and the city is reported to be ablaze at many points.

It is also reported that Nihshiang, an important city in South Honan, 60 miles east of the Shensi border, was raided yesterday by 18 Japanese planes.

Meanwhile it is reported that the Japanese command is rushing troops over the Chingling-Taiyuan and also the Pingnan railway to reinforce the North China garrisons, particularly at Kaifeng.

All passenger and freight traffic on the railways has been stopped for three weeks while the transfer of the troops is taking place.

Meanwhile, the Chinese claim they have re-entered Kaifeng where they captured the railway station and the East gate, and set fire to Japanese stores.—United Press.

### Chinese Victory In Shansi

Shan, Apr. 24. Chinese forces in southeast Shansi have administered a crushing blow to the Japanese driving southward from Taihu and Pingyao, south of Taiyuan.

Mulingkwan, important mountain pass southeast of Taihu, has been recaptured by the Chinese. The Japanese there who suffered a severe defeat are reported to be retreating in a northerly direction.

Following up with the success, the Chinese are pushing rapidly towards Taihu.

The Japanese column driving towards Taiyuan from Pingyao are reported to have withdrawn to Pingyao after encountering stiff Chinese resistance. Wangkuchen, south of Pingyao, which fell into Japanese hands recently, has returned to Chinese control and the countryside is now cleared of Japanese soldiers.

Another Japanese column pushing towards Wushing has also been repulsed, with heavy losses by the Chinese. Kueicheng and Panchih-chien in the vicinity have been retaken by Chinese units.

Meanwhile, on the Fowshan sector, southeast of Linfen, Chinese forces are continuing their "clearing-up" operations against the Japanese following their recapture of the town.

Japanese reinforcements rushing to that sector have been intercepted by the Chinese northwest of Fowshan and after a fierce engagement lasting four hours, driven back with

### Tungshan Captured

CHANGSHA, Apr. 24. Synchronising with the counter-offensive on the north Kiangsi front, Chinese forces in south Hupien launched a lightning attack on Tungshan, important town 80 miles southeast of Hankow, and retook the city yesterday morning.

"Mopping-up" of the remnant Japanese forces who retreated towards Nanking is proceeding. Rehabilitation measures are being taken inside the town to pacify stricken Chinese civilians.—Central News.

### Pushing On

CHANGSHA, Apr. 24. After consolidating their positions at Tungshan, Chinese forces have branched out westward in hot pursuit of the Japanese fleeing to Nankiao.

Another strong Chinese unit is striking northward from their base to converge on Nankiao. The two units are said to have established contact with each other to effect an encircling movement.

To retard Chinese pursuit, the remnant Japanese troops have dynamited a number of bridges along the highway from Tungshan to Nankiao.—Central News.

## German Plane Reaches Basra

BASRA, Apr. 24. Baron von Gablenz, director of the German Luftwaffe Aircraft Company, with his crew of three, arrived here in the Junkers JU 52 plane from Baghdad at 4.10 p.m. Sunday afternoon on a flight from Berlin to Tokyo, via Hongkong.

Stopping here overnight, the German flier will leave for Jask tomorrow morning on the sixth stage of their easy journey to Japan.—Domei.

## Chinese Protest To French Authorities

Shanghai, Apr. 23. Chinese reports from Chungking state that the Chinese Government yesterday sent a written protest to the French Embassy demanding that the French authorities adopt a neutral policy, whereby they would permit Chinese civilians in Shanghai to fly the Chinese flag whenever they desire, and particularly in celebration of memorial days.

Reports also stated that a verbal protest on similar lines had previously been lodged.—United Press.

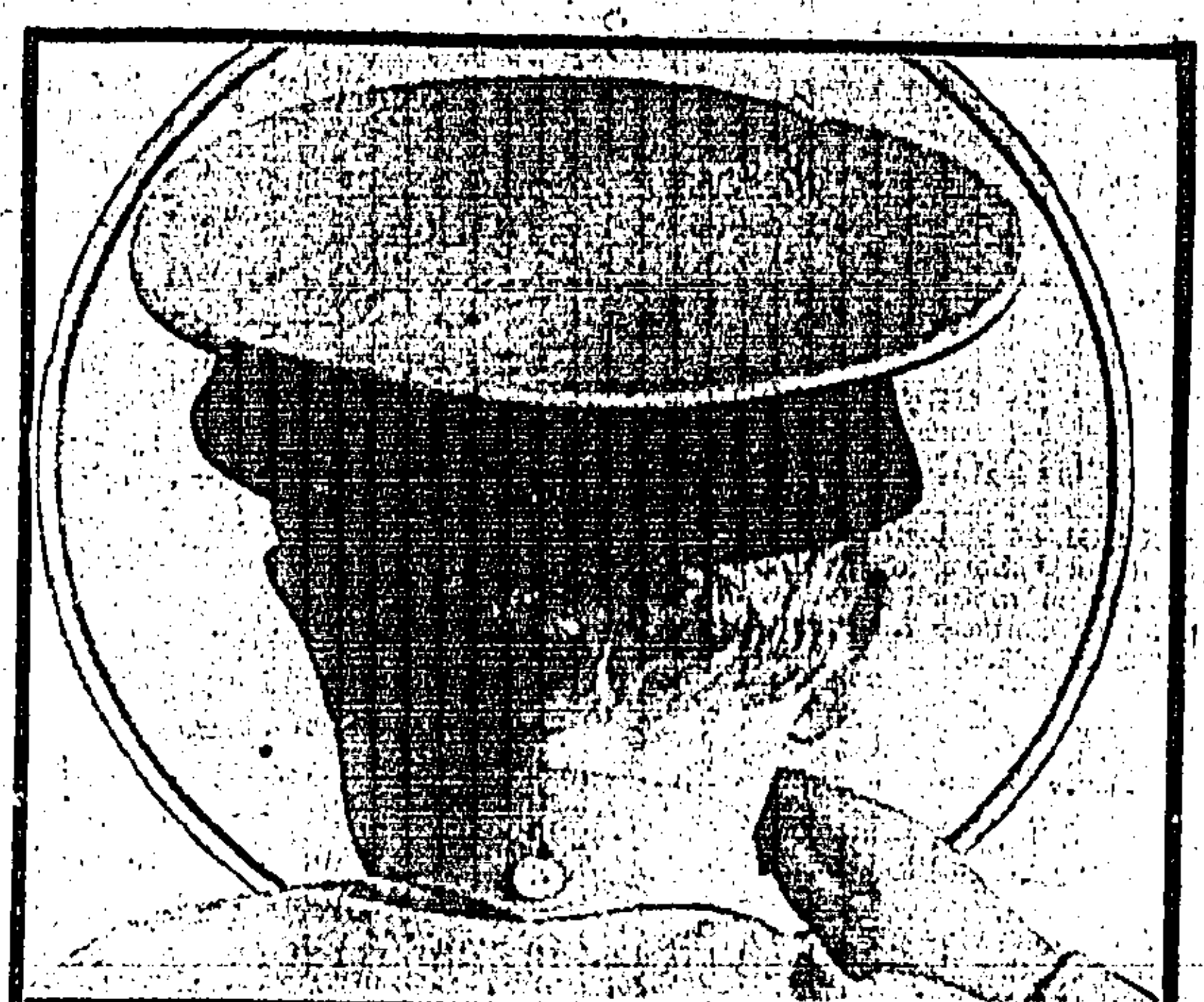
## STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 12.30 p.m. Saturday, says:

The steady tone of the market reported yesterday continued during the short session with buyers predominating and prices showing a further advance. Sales were reported in Banks at \$1,365, Hotels \$5,205 1/2, Docks at \$10 1/2, Providents at \$4 1/2, 4.00 and Cements at \$12.00 and Electrics at \$55.

**Buyers**  
Hongkong Bank \$1,365  
Canton Insurance \$220  
Doughlases \$10  
H.K. Steamboats \$15  
H.K. & K. Wharves \$100  
H.K. Docks \$10 1/2  
H.K. & S. Docks \$4.00  
H.K. Lands \$3  
H.K. Realities \$2.20  
H.K. Transports \$10 1/2  
Star Ferries \$65  
Telephones (Old) \$21 1/2  
Canton Ice \$1  
Cements \$12 1/2  
Dairy Farms Ex Rta \$20 1/2  
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Providents \$4.20  
H.K. & S. Hotels \$2,205  
China Lights (Old) \$5 1/2  
China Lights (New) \$3.00  
H.K. Electrics \$55  
Cements \$12.50  
Antonia's \$2  
Atoka Pa. 30 1/2  
Bengal Consolidated Pa. 11.00  
Coco Grove Pa. 23  
I.K.L. Pa. 54  
Hobart Pa. 23  
North Camarines Pa. 45  
United Paracels Pa. 61  
San Maurilio Pa. 33

New York, Apr. 23.—The death is reported here to-day of Mr. Julian Thompson, aged 50, from influenza. It was Mr. Thompson's investigations as Secretary of McKesson Robbins, which led to the recapture of the Chinese northwest of Fowshan and after a fierce engagement lasting four hours, driven back with

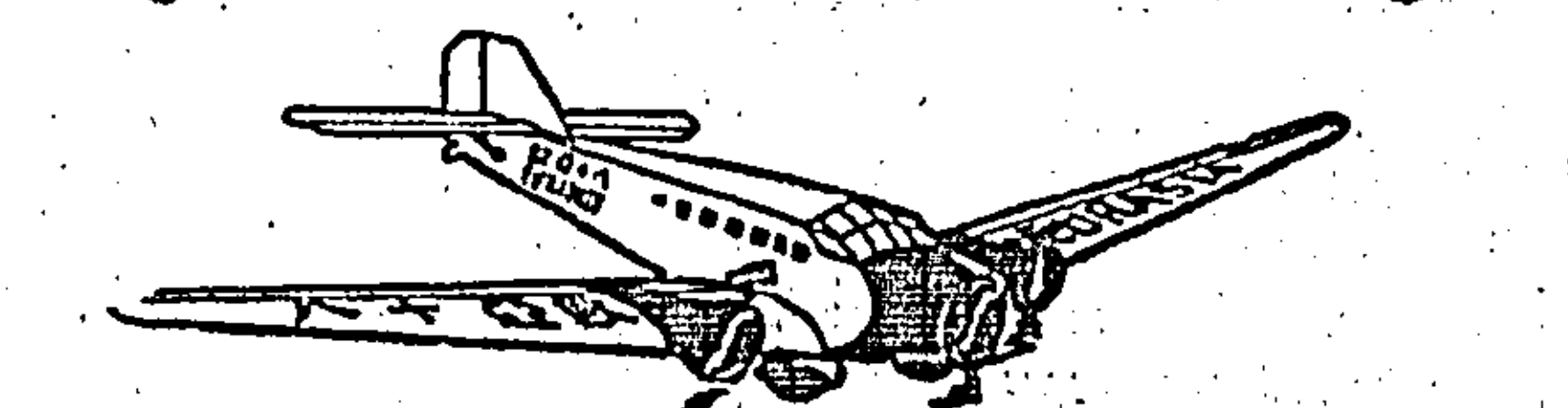


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The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

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H.K. Bank Lon. £	80 1/2 n.
Chartered £	75 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £	27 n.
Mercantile, C. £	13 n.
East Asia	80 n.
INSURANCES	
Canton \$	220 b.
Unions \$	440 n.
China Underwriter \$	1,30 n.
H.K. Fire \$	180 n.
SHIPPING	
Douglas \$	70 b.
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Indo-China, P. \$	60 n.
Indo-China, D. \$	24 n.
Shell Steamers \$	81 3/4 n.
Waterboats \$	8 40 n.
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Docks \$	10 1/2 s. & 50 n.
Provident \$	460 n.
New Eng. Sh. \$	670 n.
Sh. Docks, Sh. \$	101 1/2 n.
MINING	
Kailan s/-	17- n.
Rauha s/-	855 s.
Yen: Goldfield s/-	3 n.
Hongkong Mines s/-	4 n.
Antumok Ps. s/-	32 3/4 s.
Atok Ps. s/-	30 1/2 s.
Baguio Gold Ps. s/-	54 s.
Benquet Cons Ps. s/-	11 60 s.
Coco Grove Ps. s/-	33 s.
Demonstrations Ps. s/-	54 s.
I.X.L. Ps. s/-	25 s.
Korons Ps. s/-	25 s.
Camorins Ps. s/-	83 s.
San Maritico Ps. s/-	83 s.
Suyoc Consols Ps. s/-	61 s.
Puracales Ps. s/-	61 s.
LANDS	
Hotels \$	5 1/2 s.
Lands \$	34 s.
Lands 4% deb. \$	101 n.
Shui Lands Sh. \$	8 40 n.
Humphreys \$	8 65 n.
H.K. Realities \$	4 b.
Chinese Estates \$	102 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams \$	10 1/2 s.
Peak Trams (old) \$	8 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$	4 n.
Star Ferries \$	65 s.
Y. Ferries (old) \$	25 n.
Y. Ferries (new) \$	24 n.
China Lights (old) \$	8 1/2 s. & 50 n.
China Lights (new) \$	5 1/2 s.
H.K. Electric \$	55 s.
Macao Electric \$	17 n.
Sandakan Lights \$	12 n.
Telephones (old) \$	22 1/2 s.
Telephones (new) \$	7 1/4 n.
Tractions s/-	21- n.
Tractions (Pref.) s/-	21- n.
INDUSTRIAL	
Cald: Macg. (ord.) \$	14 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pre.) \$	14 n.
Canton Ice \$	3 60 n.
Cements \$	12 24 b.
H.K. Ropes \$	3 60 n.
STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms (ex. rts.) \$	20 1/2 b.
Dairy Farms (rts.) \$	14 1/4 n.
Watsons \$	7 1/4 n.
Lane Crawford \$	8 n.
Sincere \$	1 80 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$	42 n.
Powell, Ltd. \$	1 n.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh. \$	20 30 n.
Shai Cotton Sh. \$	105 n.
Zong Sing Sh. \$	30 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$	40 n.
MISC.	
H.K. Entertainment \$	1 1/2 b.
Constructions \$	1 1/2 b.
Vibro Piling \$	7 s.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925	
G.S. Bonds	62 1/2 % n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 3 1/2 % prm.	b.
H.K. Govt. Loan 3 1/2 % prm.	b.
Marsmans (Lon.) s/-	13 1/2 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) s/-	5- s.
MANILA SHARES	
Closing quotations through Reuters:	
	Mid Prices
	Morning Closing
	Apr. 22, Apr. 24
Antumok	22 1/2
Atok	23 1/2
Baguio Gold	23 1/2
Benquet Cons	11 1/2
Benquet Cons	11 1/2
Big Wedge	23 1/2
Coco Grove	33
Con. Mines	12 1/2
Demonstration	12 1/2
Igo Gold	54
Ingon Mining	33 1/2
Mambulo Cons.	14 1/4
Mambulo Cons.	14 1/4
Mine Operations	11 1/4
North Camarines	43
Paracale Gumau	43
San Maritico	83
Suyoc Cons.	61
Syndicate Invest.	61
United Paracale	61
The following is Swin, Culbertson & Fritz' report on this morning's market:	
The Manila Gold Share market closed dull with prices irregular. Denegat Consolidated declined 30 centavos while other losses ranged from 1/2 to 2 centavos. San Maritico lost one centavo as did United Paracale.	

# Champion Potato Family

Digby, N. S.  
A family here claims a record for early consumption of potatoes. The family, which is composed of the father, mother, 14 children and 21 grandchildren, consume 10 bushels of potatoes a month. A special pot is used to boil them for each meal.

# NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

The Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held in the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, 5th Floor, on Wednesday, 26th April, 1939, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 22nd April, to Wednesday, 26th April, 1939, both days inclusive.

## DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.

General Managers.

Hongkong, 12th April, 1939.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES AND UNDERWRITERS

### S/S "SONTAY"

5th Voyage 1939.

Notice is hereby given that the above mentioned having grounded on the 15th of March, 1939, off Djibouti, general average has been declared on all cargo on board.

Consignees of cargo for Hongkong loaded previous to this accident, are hereby requested to sign a general average bond supported by two copies of the original invoices and pay a 5% average deposit on the C.I.F. value of the goods before the cargo can be delivered.

Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes

R. OHL,

Agent.

Hongkong, the 20th April, 1939.

# Exchange At A Glance

## SELLING

T.T. London	1s. 2 1/2
Demand	1s. 2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	1s. 17 1/2
T.T. Singapore	62 1/2
T.T. Japan	104 1/2
T.T. India	81 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	28 1/2
T.T. Manila	57 1/2
T.T. Batavia	53 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	152
T.T. Saigon	107 1/2
T.T. France	10 1/2
T.T. Germany	71
T.T. Switzerland	128 1/2
T.T. Australia	17 1/2

## BUYING

4 m/s L/c London	1/2 1/2
4 m/s D/p do.	1/2 31/32
4 m/s L/c U.S.A.	20
4 m/s France	11 1/2
30 d/s India	82 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in Lon.	4 68

## FUGITIVE PIANIST

### Austrian Artist to Play Over Station ZBW

Hands that have fingered piano keys in Austria will play to Hongkong listeners over Station Z.B.W. shortly. They are the hands of Erich Porges, fugitive from Austria. They are winning him a livelihood in his exile and may win him fame akin to that which he enjoyed at home.

Tall, dark, and interesting, Mr. Porges presides at the piano in Jimmy's Kitchen. His fluent playing is supported by the violin of another European fugitive, one-time prominent Viennese.

Born in Vienna, Mr. Porges spent his early childhood struggling to earn the piano against the wishes of his father. He was 18 when his father announced that he intended to apprentice him in business; but the urge to pursue his musical career fired the youth and he ran away. He became pianist in a small hotel in Semmering, one of Austria's well-known ski centres.

Ski-ing on a powder snow in the warm sun during the day and playing gay ski waltzes and showpieces in the evening, Mr. Porges found Semmering a blissful interlude. He decided, however, to go to Graz, one of Austria's larger towns, and there he led his first big band and composed a few pieces.

A Viennese restaurant owner finally discovered him and invited him to Vienna. There, except for one fleeting visit to Calcutta, he remained until European persecution claimed him among its many victims.

Mr. Porges will heard from Z.B.W. studio on May 1 from 7.45 to 8 p.m.

# Snail Soup Praised

SNAIL soup is good for you, says Mrs. M. E. Bradhurst, of River-hall, near Witham, Essex, a keen collector of fresh-water shells.

She says that during the war a naval captain and his men, captured by savages, lived for 19 weeks on snails.

# \*—RADIO—\*

ZBW, 355 metres (845 k.c.) and 31.49 metres (9,520 k.c.)

Radio Programme Broadcast by ZBW on a Frequency of 845 k.c. and on Short Wave from 1-2.15 p.m. and 6-11.30 p.m. on 0.52 m.c.s. per second.

## 0.0 "For The Children."

Nursery Rhymes; Intro: Ding Dong Dell; I saw three ships; Hickory, Dickory, Dock; Polly put the kettle on; Curly Locks; Ban, Ban Black Sheep; Jack and Jill; A little cock sprig; There was a little woman; etc.; Uncle George's Party with Orchestra; Gee-Up-Polka (Josef Rixner); Barnabas Von Gecky and Orchestra; Studio-Serial Story; "More Very Young" Songs (A. A. Milne-Fraser-Sims); Us Two; Knights and Ladies; In the day; George Baker (Baritone) with Piano; At Mother's Knee (Some favourite Lullabies); Essie Ackland (Contralto) with Orchestra and Chorus.

0.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

0.32 Reginald Dixon at the Organ. Bells Across The Meadow (Katiebey); Down The Mall (Belton); Dixon His No. 10; Intro: It looks like rain in Cherry Blossom Lane; The greatest mistake of my life; Wake up and Live; You're here, you're there; Ten pretty girls; Love is good for anything that ails you.

0.45 London Relay—Music-Hall. Haver and Lee (The Fun Rascals); Lily Morris (Comedienne); Carson Robison and His Pioneers with The BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Charles Shadwell; Presented by John Sharnam.

0.45 The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards De Cornville.

Selection (Planquette); Hands Across The Sea—March (Souza); Under The Double Eagle—March (Wagner).

0.80 Time Weather and Announcements.

0.85 London Relay—A Message to Scouts.

By The Lord Somers, K.C.M.G., M.C., Deputy Chief Scout of the British Empire.

0.10 B.B.C. Recording—"West From Bristol."

A Programme devised and produced by Francis Dillon.

0.40 Songs of the Sea (arr. Terry).

Intro: Whiskey Johnny; Billy Brown; Let the Bulging Run; Billy My Bully Boys; Billy Boy; Johnny Come Down to Hilo; Blow the Man Down; Rio Grande; Royal Naval Singers (Portsmouth) conducted by C. T. Lee, R.N.

0.50 Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

"Foggy"—Selection (Puccini); Leo Fall—Potpourri (arr. Dostal); Songs Without Words—Potpourri.

0.15 London Relay—The News.

0.30 The Bohemians.

Daddy Long Legs (Wright); Moss Rose; Waltz (Bosc); My Dream; Waltz (Waldeutele)—with Vocal Effects.

0.45 London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.

0.50 Songs by Jack Buchanan and Elsie Randolph.

Mr. Whittington—Selection... with Carol Gibbons and John W. Green at the Pianos accom. by Their Boy Friends.

10.00 London Relay—"In Town To-night."

10.30 London Relay—St. George's Day Programme.

11.30—Close down.

## NOVEL CONCERT

### Competition in Singing And Dramatic Performances

A novel concert in which singing and dramatic contests among seven schools of the Colony formed the programme, was held in the Kowloon Hall of the St. Stephen's Girls' College on Saturday evening. The competitions provided good entertainment for a large audience. The proceeds of the concert were for the Student Relief Fund.

Dramatic Contest.—1. Pui To Girls' School, 2. Y.W.C.A. (Gun Kwok Club), and Lingnam Middle School. Singing Contest, (Boys' Schools). 1. Queen's College, 2. Pui Ying Middle School, 3. Lingnam Middle School. Singing Contest, (Girls' Schools). 1. St. Paul's Girls' College, 2. Ying Wah Girls' College, 3. St. Stephen's Girls' College.

Essay Contest.—1. St. Paul's Girls' College, 2. True Light Girls' College, 3. Queen's College. Mandarin Contest.—1. Pui To Girls' School, 2. Pui Ying Middle School, 3. St. Paul's Girls' College.

## NATIONAL REGISTER

### Forms for Chinese Now Being Printed

The Chinese National Voluntary Register will shortly come into existence.

Forms, similar to those already distributed to the British residents in the Colony, are now being printed. The work of distributing these forms will be carried through by the Chinese members of the Legislative and Executive Councils. The actual register of Chinese volunteers will be kept in the offices of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

The register will be open to all Chinese—British subjects or Chinese birth and to any Chinese who feel they owe allegiance and who would be ready to help Britain in an emergency arose.

# Cardinal's Death

Valcan City, Apr. 23.  
The death is reported of Cardinal Domenico Tardini, aged 70. —United Press.

## MANOEUVRES FOR BALKAN ALLIES

(Continued from Page 1.)

Moscow to report on the British reply to the Soviet anti-aggression bloc proposals, is expected to leave for London again to-night, and will arrive here on Tuesday or Wednesday.

British political circles believe that this denotes that deliberations between Mr. Malsky and Sir William Seeds, the British Ambassador to Moscow, and the Soviet Government, have taken a favourable course, and that nothing now stands in the way of an early announcement regarding the state of the Anglo-Soviet negotiations.

## No Far East Pact

It is further declared that Britain and France intend to guarantee only the western frontier of Russia, and under no circumstances are disposed to come to the aid of Russia in case she feels threatened on her eastern frontier, as for example by Japan.

It is recalled that the Franco-Russian agreement prior to 1914 was subject to a similar restriction. Importance is also attached to the new coming agreement, not an Anglo-Franco-Soviet understanding, but that England and France will have separate treaties.

Whereas the tripartite agreement will represent a new alliance, the Franco-Soviet agreement will merely be an extension of the already existing military pact.—Trans-Ocean.

## Talks in Paris

Paris, Apr. 23.  
Sir Eric Phipps, the British Ambassador to Paris, had talks with M. Daladier this morning and M. Bonnet this afternoon.

"Le Temps" understands that the conversations concerned the "necessity for Great Britain introducing compulsory military service in order to be ready if circumstances required, to reply immediately to aggression with strengthened forces."

The newspaper declared: "Mr. Chamberlain is now convinced that the method must change, for experience shows it impossible to negotiate without equality in strength. For peace, as for war, the Powers must have strength to enforce their policy."—Reuter.

## Cafencu in London

London, Apr. 23.  
M. Cafencu, the Rumanian Foreign Minister, has arrived. He has just completed conferences with the Polish Foreign Minister in Warsaw, Hitler and the German Foreign Minister in Berlin, and he has begun conferences regarding the new Balkan situation.

He was welcomed at the station by Lord Halifax, the Turkish Ambassador, the Greek Minister and officers of the Rumanian Legation.

Meanwhile, a British financial delegation headed by Sir Frederick Leith-Ross is scheduled to arrive in Bucharest on Monday.—United Press.

## URBAN COUNCIL

### Applications for Licences To Be Considered

A letter from the Government relative to the appointment of the Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam and Mr. W. W. Tappin to be members of the Urban Council for a further term of three years will be laid on the table at the fortnightly meeting to-morrow.

An application for a milk shop licence for 5, Arbuthnot Road, ground floor and another for the Kiosk, Tran Station, Caroline Road, will be considered.

Other applications include an eating house licence for 29 Canton Road, ground floor; an eating house licence for 229 Hollywood Road, ground floor; a food factory licence for 33 d'Aguilar Street, ground floor; a chop suey (fruit) licence for 73 Chun Yuen Street, ground floor; a food preserving licence for 131 Sal-kung Road, ground floor.

## H.M.S. KENT RETURNS

### Vice-Admiral Completes Southern Cruise

H.M.S. Kent, with Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commandant-in-Chief of the British China Station, reached Hongkong on Friday evening on the completion of its southern cruise. The escort vessel, H.M.S. Fulmouth, arrived back on Saturday morning.

H.M.S. Cardiff reached Hongkong from the north on Friday night. She will leave for England at the end of the month.

# Hen Changes Sex

TAIPEING.  
TRUTH is stranger than fiction, and, believe it or not, there is in the possession of a Taipeing resident a hen which has turned into a cock. The proud owner, Mr. Lim Kok Heng, intends to exhibit the bird at the Coronation Park shortly.

Given to him a few months ago, the hen laid eggs, but after a few months Mr. Lim noticed a strange change coming over the bird. It stopped laying eggs and began to grow a prominent comb, until it looked like a cock and behaved like one. The hen has now completely changed its sex.

# Japanese May Land At Foochow

Peiping, Apr. 23.  
Foreign reports from Foochow indicate fear that the Japanese may shortly attack the city from the sea and try to make a landing.

Lately the city has been subjected to many bombing raids by planes from the Japanese aircraft-carriers. These such raids yesterday did considerable damage and caused sixty casualties.

Owing to the air raids and fear of an attempted landing, the Chinese Provincial Government is reported to have been removed inland, camping on the Min River.—Reuter.

# 14-In. Gun For Battleship

London.  
The effective range of the latest 14-inch anti-aircraft shell, as measured by the performance of any given thickness of armour material, exceeds that of the 15-inch shell in spite of the reduction in calibre. This statement was made by Major A. B. Clerke, joint managing director of Hadfields Ltd. at their Annual General Meeting, and was held, an effective answer to the criticism against the adopting of the 14-inch gun for the first five battleships. Speaking of profits, Major Clerke said that the rate was fixed between the firm and the Government Department, so that all saving of cost passed automatically to the Government. On hardened shells and bombs alone the saving to the Government had amounted to over £300,000.

# Baby Born In 60-m. p. h. Express

Neath.  
As the Irish express night boat train was travelling at 60 m.p.h. through West Wales on its journey from Fishguard to London, an 18-year-old Midland girl, travelling alone, gave birth to a baby boy.

Women passengers in the train heard of the girl's condition went to her aid, and after calling the guard made an unsuccessful search for a doctor or a nurse.

The train stopped at Neath, Glamorgan. An ambulance was called, and the mother and child were hurried to hospital.

"Both came through the ordeal splendidly" a doctor at the hospital said.

## NORWEGIAN SHIPS

### Consul Will Protest Against Seizure

Chungking, Apr. 23.  
Two Norwegian ships have been detained by the Japanese in Mamoi harbour in Fukuken.

It is learned that the Norwegian Consulate-General in Shanghai has protested to the Japanese Consulate-General, and request their release.—Central News.

## PIG WEARS SPLINT

HINSDALE, Mass.  
A little piglet was given a respite from the slaughterhouse, even though it suffered a broken leg. Its owner, remembering Harry Freshet's success in setting his police dog's broken leg, took the piglet to him rather than to market. All dressed

## FLIER INVENTS THRILL

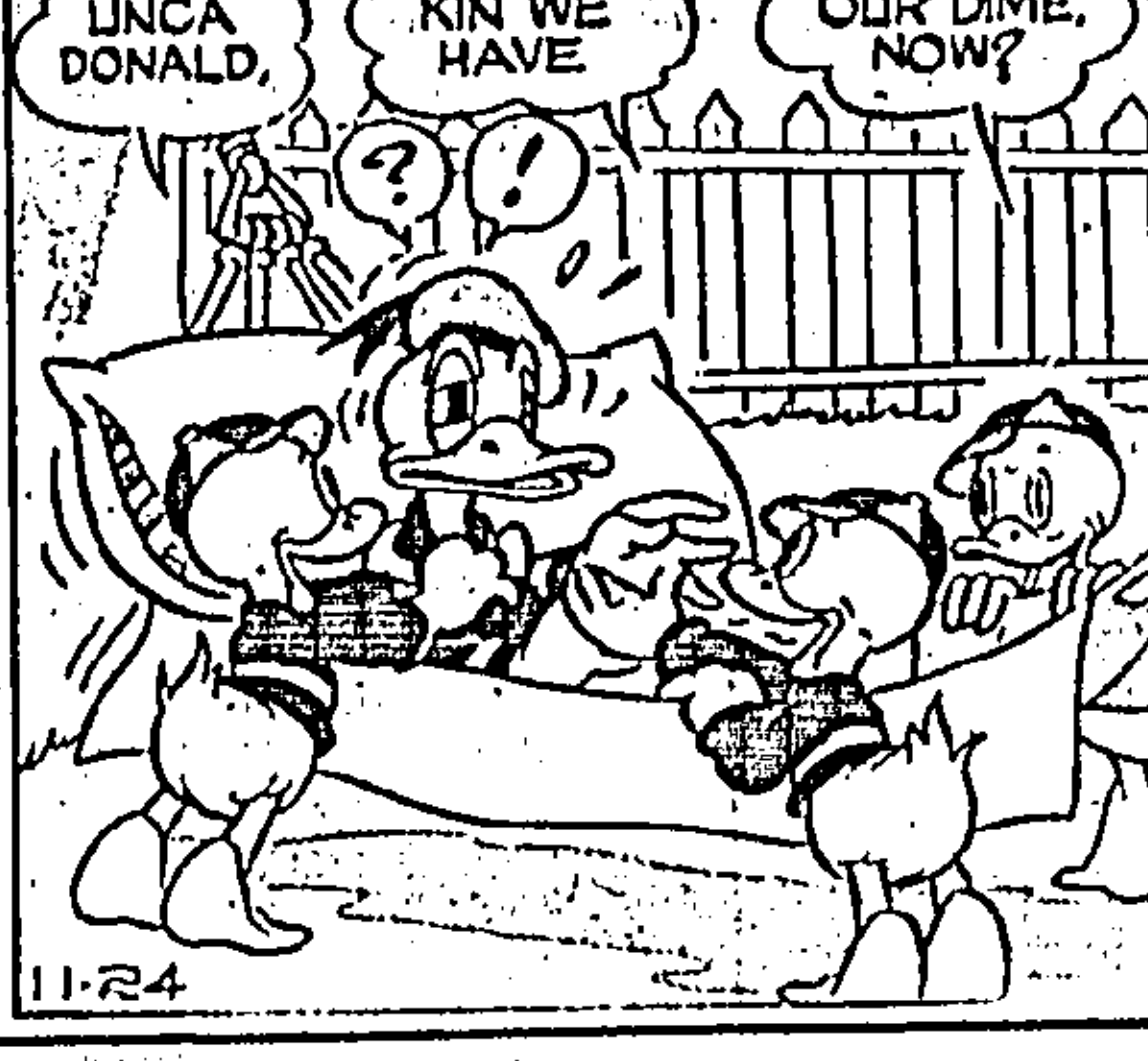
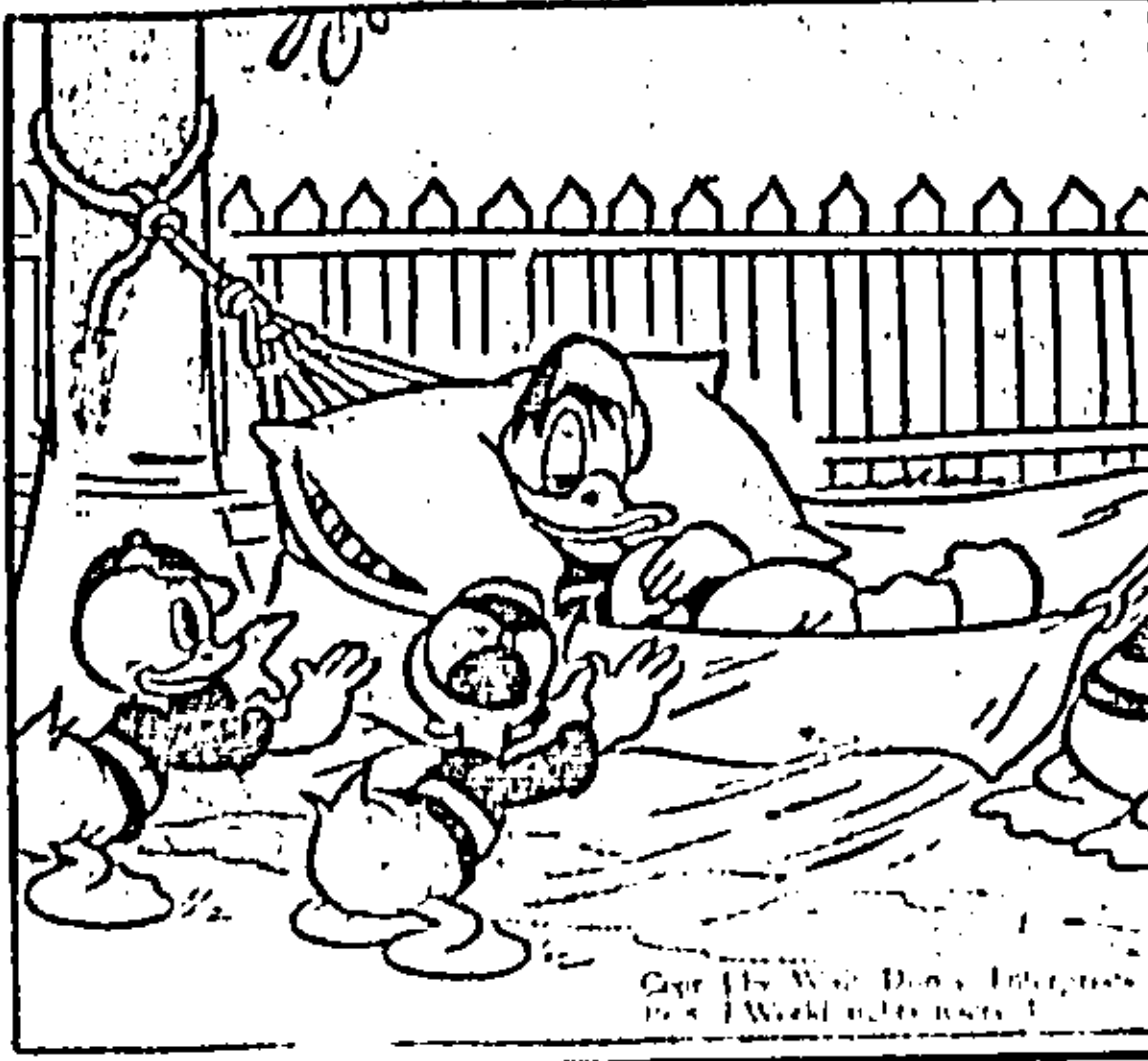
CLEVELAND, O.  
Mike Murphy, stunt flier is concocting a new thrill for National Air Race fans. He is building a plane, named the "Check-to-Check," that will require two pilots. One will fly upside down part of the time.

## STEELE NOW BOXING

COACH  
OLYMPIA, Wash.  
The world's former middleweight boxing champion, Freddie Steele, has become the



# DONALD DUCK



## BRITONS NOT REGISTERING

National Register Must Be Completed By May 31

### BORDER MURDER TRIAL

Accused Claims Self-Defence

Evidence by accused, Wong Kam-wan, and submission by his counsel, Mr. T. F. Lo, that the death of Wong Chung, 41, at Lokmachau on January 5 was not, as alleged by the Crown, murder but was committed in self defence, were the main points of the hearing before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

The jury were Messrs. V. J. da Motta (foreman), Ho Kam-sang, Chan Chu-kwong, Lee Kan-chung, Fung Chai-lai, Chung Pak-cheung and Cheng Fan.

Mr. J. Whyatt, Crown Counsel, prosecuted.

Accused in evidence on Friday said that Wong Chung had pulled out a gun and that he had seized it with both hands, and pushed Wong Chung to the ground and had trod on his stomach to make him let go.

Accused, in evidence this morning said that when he snatched the gun he was afraid that Wong Chung might have used it, he shot him.

OFFICIALS OF the Registration of Persons Bureau are perturbed at the apathy being shown by Hongkong's male population in the compiling of the compulsory registration forms.

Although nearly half the time allowed for the filling up of the forms has expired, less than twenty per cent. of the total number have been completed and returned.

An official of the bureau told the "Telegraph" to-day that only 1,490 forms have been returned out of the expected total of 10,000.

"Quite a number of people have filled in the returns incorrectly," he said.

"I would like to point out that it is necessary for a direct answer to be given to all the questions."

A warning has been issued that the onus is on the public to see that they are registered by May 31, after which date penalties may be enforced.

It would help the compilers of the register if men would state the firm with whom they worked, and whether they belonged to any of the voluntary defence organisations.

It would considerably help the work and aim of the register, if all returns were sent in as soon as possible.

Heads of business firms are urged to co-operate by informing members of their staffs of the necessity for registration.

that Hoi Chai was holding a gun he did not call out because he couldn't, being almost giddy with fright.

You say in your evidence in chief that you were afraid that he would use the gun and shoot you. How could it be if you were holding it?—I thought he had another gun.

There was Hoi Chai and yourself holding guns, he was unarmed, what reason was there for shooting. You could have held it over him. Did you tell him to stand still and not move?—No.

So you just shot him three times?—I do not know how many times. Perhaps the Mauser pistol was quick-firing.

You are not going to dispute that Wong Man-hui and Wong Kau were witnesses?—If they were not there, how did you know? You were in such a giddy state that you could not call out?—I had my eyes then, I did not see Hoi Chai shoot Wong Chung.

"I Alone Shot Him"

You and you alone shot Wong Chung?—Yes.

How do you explain the fact that there was a revolver bullet in Wong Chung's brain?—After I ran away, I do not know if Hoi Chai shot him or not.

Accused said that the evidence of the girl and boy was not true.

"They want to see me die. The body of their mother was not lying on the ground, there was only Wong Chung's body."

Accused said he had not mentioned Wong Chung's struggle to the Police because he had forgot. He had never been in a Police Station before. He was very clumsy and forgot the fact.

Asked why he had not remembered the fact after he had been charged with the murder of the woman, witness said that the man's name was "Chung" and the woman's name was "Cheung" and the similarity made him think that he was being charged with the same person.

Father's Death

Re-examined by Mr. Lo, witness said that he had first heard from Wong Chai that Wong Chung had killed his father when he (witness) was 16 or 17 years of age. He was now 27.

"There can be no doubt about the evidence of the girl and boy," said Crown Counsel, in opening his address to the jury.

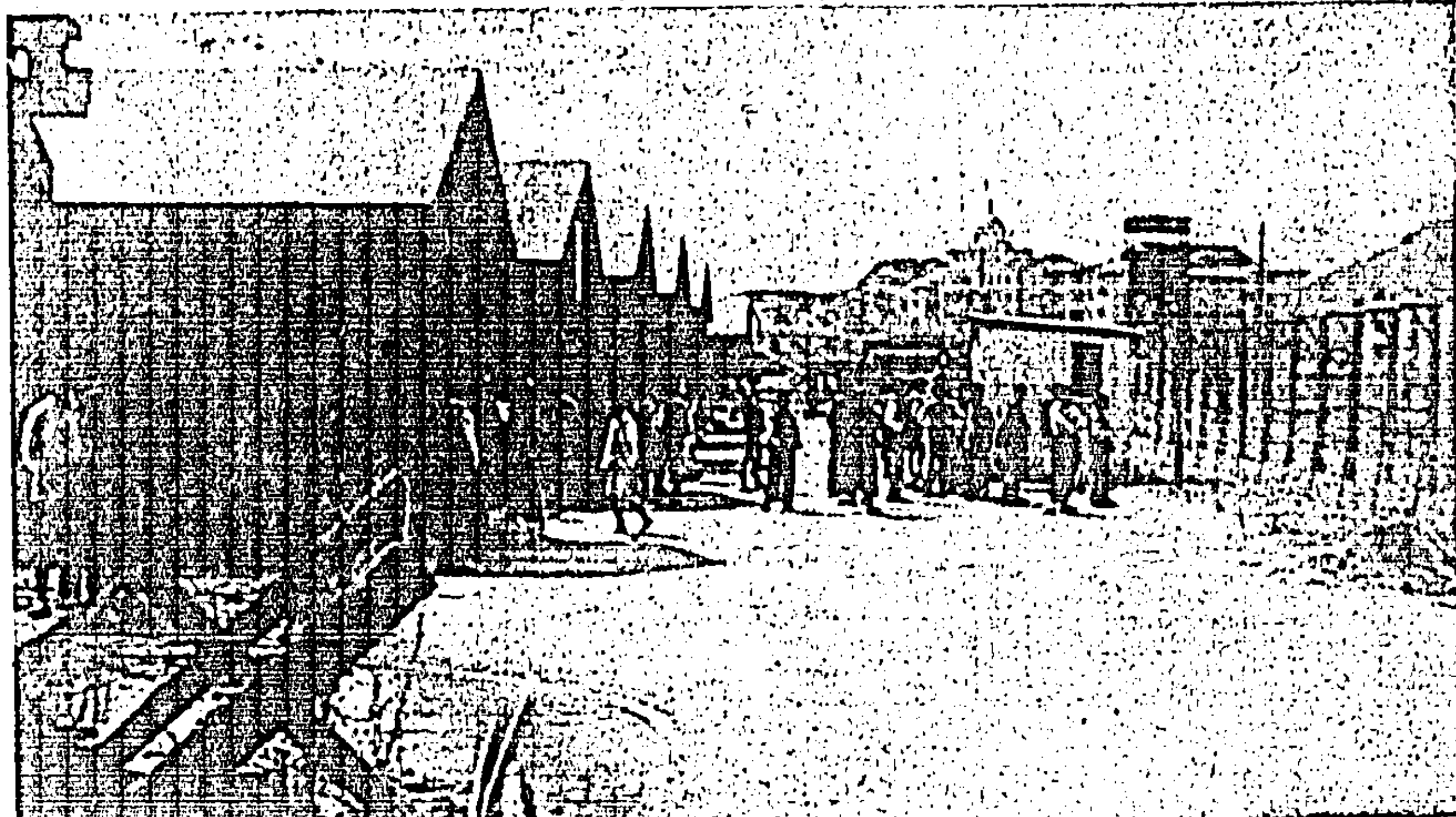
"The memory of seeing their father shot before their eyes is indelibly printed on their memories not for days, months or years, but for life."

Their evidence has been truthful and with no discrepancies.

"It is inconceivable that there

Hoi Chai had continued, took the other gun from the box-pistol, and though during the struggle he knew

## CHINESE SOLDIERS INTERNED IN KOWLOON



SPECIAL TELEGRAPH photographs taken at the Internment Camp for Chinese soldiers near Kowloon City. New regulations for the proper control of these and other internees have been issued.—Staff Photographer.

## PRISON WARDER IN COURT

Fined \$60 For Kowloon Spree

FINES totalling \$60 were inflicted on E. P. Hewett, a Prison Warden stationed at Stanley Prison, when he appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on charges of (a) common assault (b) behaving in a riotous manner (c) being under the influence of drink.

Hewett pleaded guilty to all three charges.

Sgt. Hemsley told the Magistrate, Mr. E. Himsforth, that Hewett was brought to the Mongkok Police Station at 8.30 p.m. last night by a Police Reservist. With him was a bus conductor named Ng Hing, who claimed that when he asked defendant for his fare, defendant assaulted him.

"Defendant used very profane and abusive language at the Police Station, and he tried to jump out of the Charge Room dock," said Sgt. Hemsley.

Examined At Hospital

"It was with the greatest of difficulty that he was restrained. He was taken to the Kowloon Hospital, where he was examined by Dr. Gosano. He also used abusive language at the hospital, and again whilst he was being brought back to the Police Station."

Mr. Himsforth (to defendant): "One expects a better example from a man of your position in this Colony."

Hewett was fined \$20 on the charge of common assault, \$30 on the charge of behaving riotously and \$10 on the charge of being under the influence of drink.

## Stabbing Affray In Hennessy Road

Some excitement was caused at 11 p.m. to-day when a young Chinese was suddenly stabbed by an unknown person on Hennessy Road near Tin Lok Lane.

The incident was witnessed by many pedestrians, a number of whom attempted to arrest the assassin, who, however, managed to escape.

The victim, who is believed to be a man called Lai, was subsequently rushed to the Queen Mary Hospital by the Fire Brigade Ambulance.

The motive of the attack is not known.

Mr. L. J. Morley, of Bay View Mansions, Causeway Bay, has reported that he was robbed of his pocket book containing money and a pen while travelling on a bus between Ice House Street and Tunglown Road yesterday.

## SEAMEN GET DECORATIONS

MEDALS FOR GALLANTRY IN RESCUE OF CREW

"ON BEHALF of the Bellios Trust Fund, I decorate you with this medal for gallantry, and I congratulate you for this very fine piece of work."

These remarks were made by Commander G. F. Hole, Harbour Master, to two Chinese seamen on board the Sui Tai at noon to-day, when he presented each man with the Bellios Medal for bravery.

The ship was anchored off Stonecutter's Island, and a special trip was made by the Harbour Master to make the presentation.

The sailors concerned are Leong Po and Sin Tau, and the awards were made in the presence of Captain N. Welburn, Mr. W. Snence, Chief Engineer, Mr. W. E. Kirby, secretary of the China Coast Guild, Mr. H. de Luz, secretary of the Hongkong, Canton and Mexico Steamship Company, and members of the crew.

### Harbour Capsize

In addressing these present, Comdr. Hole said:

"At 12.45 p.m. on April 2 this morning, a junk containing four persons, capsized near this ship. Captain Welburn went to their assistance, but as it was squally weather it was difficult to get near them.

"Two men jumped overboard with lines and managed to get to the junk, with the result that the four lives of the occupants were saved.

"This is what we expect from men of the British Mercantile Marine, but we must not forget that while they are doing their duty, they are also risking their lives for others."

"Captain Welburn has rightly brought this to my knowledge, and on my making this known to the Bellios Trust Fund, it was decided to present these two medals to the two men."

"This duty I am now going to perform with the greatest of pleasure."

The two men were then presented with the medals and congratulated by Comdr. Hole.

### WATERFRONT SCENE

Firefloat Coxswain Said To Have Hit Policeman

A struggle between a Chinese detective and a woman at Gloucester Road near Tonnochy Pier, Wanchai, on Friday, led to the appearance of three persons before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy on Saturday.

The woman, Chan Yee, 40, was charged with the theft of a piece of firewood from the harbour, while her daughter, Leung Chun, 17, was charged with obstructing a police officer. Kwok Ngan, 35, coxswain of a firefloat, was charged with assaulting and obstructing the detective, Yeung Sang, C321.

Det.-Sgt. T. Cushman said that the woman was arrested by the detective who had seen her pick up the firewood, which had fallen overboard from a junk into the water. As he was taking her to the Police Station, the girl, it was alleged, attempted to rescue her mother, and the man was said to have struck the detective a blow in the back.

Chan Yee admitted picking up the piece of firewood, and was fined \$5. The girl, however, said she was merely trying to give her mother some assistance, as she appeared to be distressed. The detective, she alleged, was hitting her mother right and left with his hands.

Both Leung and Kwok were remanded on bail, and hearing of the case was fixed for May 4.

### CARS MISSING

Major Archer, residing at Brankstone Towers, has reported that his motor car, No. 4190, was stolen from the Star Ferry car-park, Connaught Road Central, yesterday.

Mr. J. E. Jupp, of Thorpe Manor, also had his motor car, No. 13810, stolen from Connaught Road yesterday.

## Schoolboy Commended

Smart Arrest Of Handbag Snatcher

Francis Soares, a student of La Salle College, was highly commended by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for arresting a young handbag snatcher on Saturday evening.

Lo Po-kam, 20, unemployed, was sentenced to three months' hard labour and recommended for banishment for the theft of the bag from Cheung Man, 31, widow, at Parkes Street.

After Lo had snatched the bag from behind Cheung, the latter shouted for help, and Soares who happened to be in the vicinity, ran after Lo and caught him.

Defendant had two previous convictions.

## Actress To Buy F. C.?

Secret negotiations are being conducted between Miss Cicely Courtneidge, the actress, and a football club which she proposes to buy.

The club, which is said to be in the Third Division, is in severe difficulties. When Miss Courtneidge heard this she decided to go to the rescue.

"I have been a football fan all my life," she said.

"Negotiations are in hand," she added, "but, naturally, it is impossible to state a name yet."

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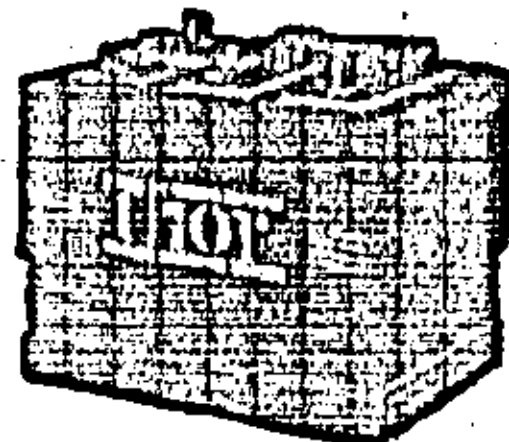
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### REQUIEM

ANDRADE.—A Requiem Mass for the late Mr. Francisco Andrade will be held at St. Margaret's Church, Happy Valley, at 7.30 a.m. to-morrow, Tuesday, April 25th.

## The Hongkong Telegraph.

Wyndham St., Hongkong

'Phone 26615

April 24, 1939

### Deep Shelters.

THE WHITE Paper on Air Raid Shelters, issued in London on Friday, opposes as impracticable for that city the scheme for providing deep, bomb-proof, shelters for the civilian population.

This would appear to vindicate the policy, apparently adopted in Hongkong, of favouring a system of dispersed trenches, which gives protection against blast and splinters, but not against direct hits, incendiary or gas.

Such, however, is not the case. The system of complete protection advocated for Hongkong by this newspaper envisages the tunnelling of the Peak, which is something entirely different to deep excavation. The latter system would be as impracticable in Hongkong as it is apparently in London. Apart from interference with underground sewerage systems, etc., the question of water seepage would at once render it difficult of accomplishment in this Colony.

But by reason of its topography, Hongkong, unlike London, can overcome the obstacles inherent to vertical excavation by horizontal tunnelling.

The Peak provides this Colony with almost ready-made facilities for a system of deep air-raid shelters. We have no hesitation in expressing the opinion that the system urged by this newspaper for Hongkong would long ere this have been adopted in London if the topographical features present in this Colony were available in England's metropolis.

Let us examine the reasons why deep shelters were rejected by Sir John Anderson. They were:

- 1.—Diversions of material, effort and money from active defence.
- 2.—Technical difficulties of constructing a shelter system which would guarantee speedy and sufficient access to the population which would want to use it; and
- 3.—The time factor of construction.

The first objection can hardly apply to a tunnelling system in Hongkong. The material is available and, without doubt, so is the labour. Unlike a scheme for deep excavation, tunnelling requires no astronomical expenditure.

The second objection does not apply to tunnelling. The drive would enter virgin rock and soil, i.e., it would not interfere with existing underground sewerage and other systems and would not be obstructed by the problem of water seepage from rivers, sea, or subterranean artesian flows. That the technical difficulties of constructing a tunnel through the Peak from the city to, say, Aberdeen could be overcome is borne out by the fact that the length involved is little, if any, more than the length of the first tunnel on the Kowloon-Canton Railway.

Unlike London, the major part of Hongkong's population needing protection in the event of an air raid is confined to an area of only a few acres. For the people residing in the densely populated tenement areas on the island—considered by some authorities to be the most densely populated area in the world—there can be no protection but tunnels. Their buildings are death traps and there is no room for trenches.

The third objection in the White Paper again raises the time factor.

# St. George, Shakespeare, and Shirley Temple

YESTERDAY was St. George's Day. Shakespeare died 323 years ago, and Shirley Temple was born ten years ago.

Probably more English-speaking people will remember Miss Temple's anniversary than will bother about Shakespeare or St. George.

At a few subscription dinners held by this society or that, a few chairmen will wind up speeches modelled on the eloquence of Lord Baldwin with the words "Gentlemen, the toast is England."

A few solemn companies of men raise their glasses and a muttered echo "England" will go round the room.

I KNOW very few facts about St. George; I don't suppose anyone knows many.

There are two St. Georges. One is the real one—the knight in shining armour who, from the back of his splendid charger, digs a writhing dragon in the belly with his spear, while a lady in a nightdress waits for her release.

This St. George was in fact, I suppose, Perseus, who rescued Andromeda; St. George, being a Christian martyr, stole the dragon story from Perseus and his day, and I would like to doff with beautifully celebrated in the Golden Legend.

The other St. George is the unreal one; the one who lived in history; was born in Cappadocia of a noble Christian family; served the Emperor Diocletian John Bull, who, in these days as a soldier; rebuked him for his persecution of Christianity; and died a martyr at Nicomedia.

I like, myself, to mingle the two figures and think of the fearless soldier who, after rescuing the princess from the dragon, defied Diocletian and was martyred for his faith. I suppose the two are incompatible—or were there dragons in Diocletian's time?

One has been apparently shot only this week in West Africa,

### To-day's Thought

THE Englishman's strong point is a vigorous insularity which he carries with him, portable and sometimes insupportable.

—HIGGINSON.

We are at a loss to see how this objection can be sustained in Hongkong, unless the authorities here admit that an emergency is so close upon us that any attempt to commence a system of real protection is hopeless. That objection is, we believe, a most negative and fatalistic one. It raises the implication that, a system of real protection not having been started two or three years ago, there was time to bring it to fruition, nothing can now be done because it is too late.

At the risk of becoming repetitive and boring, we will continue to raise this subject of adequate air raid precautions for Hongkong civilians until Government announces a definite policy. Indelibly stamped on our mind is the spectacle we witnessed in Canton of hundreds of torn and shattered bodies of men, women and children, who relied on the inadequate system utilised in the Kwangtung capital of protection from blast and splinters—a system which has apparently been adopted in Hongkong. From our own experience we have no hesitation in condemning surface shelters as death-traps. We saw between twenty and thirty victims dug from a living tomb in the grounds of the Sun Yat-sen University, victims of a bomb that exploded 200 yards away. Blood ran red in trenches dug to give blast and splinter protection. These casualties did not all occur in tenement areas; many were in what were, according to Hongkong city standards, sparsely settled streets.

China itself has long since recognised that the system of protection from blast and splinters is inadequate in mass air raids. In Chungking, the war-time capital where the terrain is somewhat similar to that in Hongkong, vast lengths of horizontal tunnels, of the type we urge for this Colony, have been completed to provide complete shelter for at least fifty per cent. of the population.



This is St. George and the Dragon as we knew them on the sovereigns and half-sovereigns. The design was by the famous Italian sculptor, Benetto Pistrucci, and it is said that he originally intended to use it on a gem he was preparing for a private client.

He is ours, too, because, although he belongs to us he is also of the whole world. He would understand that difficult problem of loving your country and, at the same time, wishing well to all the world.

### A Better Patron

FIRST I would say that he is, I think, a very much better patron for us than the Patron Saint and yesterday was his day, and I would like to doff with beautifully celebrated in the Golden Legend.

John Bull is blunt and down-right and healthy, and stands square on his two feet; but is he not, perhaps, a little insensitive? And is there not possibly a little arrogance, and a little countenance?

When I look at him he seems to me very definitely to belong to the world of the Fourth George and the Fourth William—aren't we 150 years older—and possibly wiser, than he?

But the first beautiful thing about St. George is that he is of no time and of all time.

We know that he was handsome, fearless, a protector of the weak; these things are good. But best of all perhaps there is not a single word on record that he ever spoke. He was a doer of deeds and not a boaster of them.

I am sure that after he had slain the dragon he took the princess back to her father, and was considerably embarrassed by the torrent of feminine appreciation with which she rewarded him while they were riding to the city.

When the King acclaimed him, the trumpet blow, the people shouted, his one great desire was to be off and discover another dragon or so.

### We Love Display

ONE reason why we English chose him for our patron is, I am sure, because he had very little to say.

Another is that he is so emblazoned with light and colour. Have you ever considered how brightly packed with colour our poetry is, from Chaucer, through Spenser, Shakespeare, Coleridge, Keats, Tennyson, to Walter de la Mare? Perhaps because our climate allows us too little of the sun we love light, colour, movement, display.

And St. George, although most unostentatious, is, with his armour of silver and gold, his fresh, jolly complexion, his caparisoned horse, the sunlit landscape at his back, a knight of colour and movement.

I am sure that he was never a prig, which some people think inevitably accompanies saintliness. He lived as jolly, as laughing, as coloured a life as any other man. He enjoyed his earthly life to the full, but believed it to be not the only one.

The finest man I know has many of the qualities of St. George. He never speaks without reason; he is fearless; not very analytical; prefers to be doing things rather than discussing them; loves his country, but believes that other countries should live in the way that they prefer; is greatly generous but secretly so; likes to rescue beautiful maidens; and grows roses in his garden.

### More Dragons

So, like him, there are, I am sure, many men and women in England. And yet I fancy that St. George may feel a little disappointment as he looks around him here and there.

He may think, gazing about England, that there are too many red villas, too many uncultivated acres, too many men not only unemployed but not over-anxious to be employed, too little kind, generous merriess, too weak a consciousness of spiritual life.

But, after all, he is a Saint of Common Sense. He has a quick, ready smile. He has slain dragons so often that he knows well how many more there are to conquer.

And, as he once again surveys the rivers and the rocky coasts, the dim line of purple hill, the thick, dark woods where he hopes the bluebells will be allowed to live undisturbed, he is not complacent, he is not contented, but there are worse things—worse things, surely, than to be Saint and Patron of this old, weather-beaten, rose-growing country.

### DUNVEGAN CASTLE

EDINBURGH.

Fire damaged the south wing of Scotland's oldest castle, Dunvegan on the Isle of Skye, for centuries the seat of the Macleod of Macleod.

During one of the first snowstorms of the season, more than 200 islanders fought savagely to quench the flames and salvage the historic treasures within the ancient walls.

### GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"Of course, I hope what I told you about her isn't true!—She's my best friend, you know!"



### Hollywood's Most Eligible Bachelor Is Married

Tyrone Power, Hollywood's most eligible bachelor, was married today.

The bride, envied by millions of female movie fans throughout the world, is Annabella, the French film star of international fame.

The wedding took place at Annabella's home at Beverly Hills.

Don Ameche was the best man.

Tyrone and his bride, who co-starred in "Suez", have no time at present for a honeymoon.

They have returned immediately to work at their studio, and have postponed their honeymoon, which will be spent in the Nevada mountains, until next month.

Annabella's real name is Suzanne Carpenter. She leapt to fame in the British film "Wings of the Morning", produced at Ealing three years ago. She has, however, enjoyed a considerable vogue in French films, in which she has acted since she was 15 years of age.

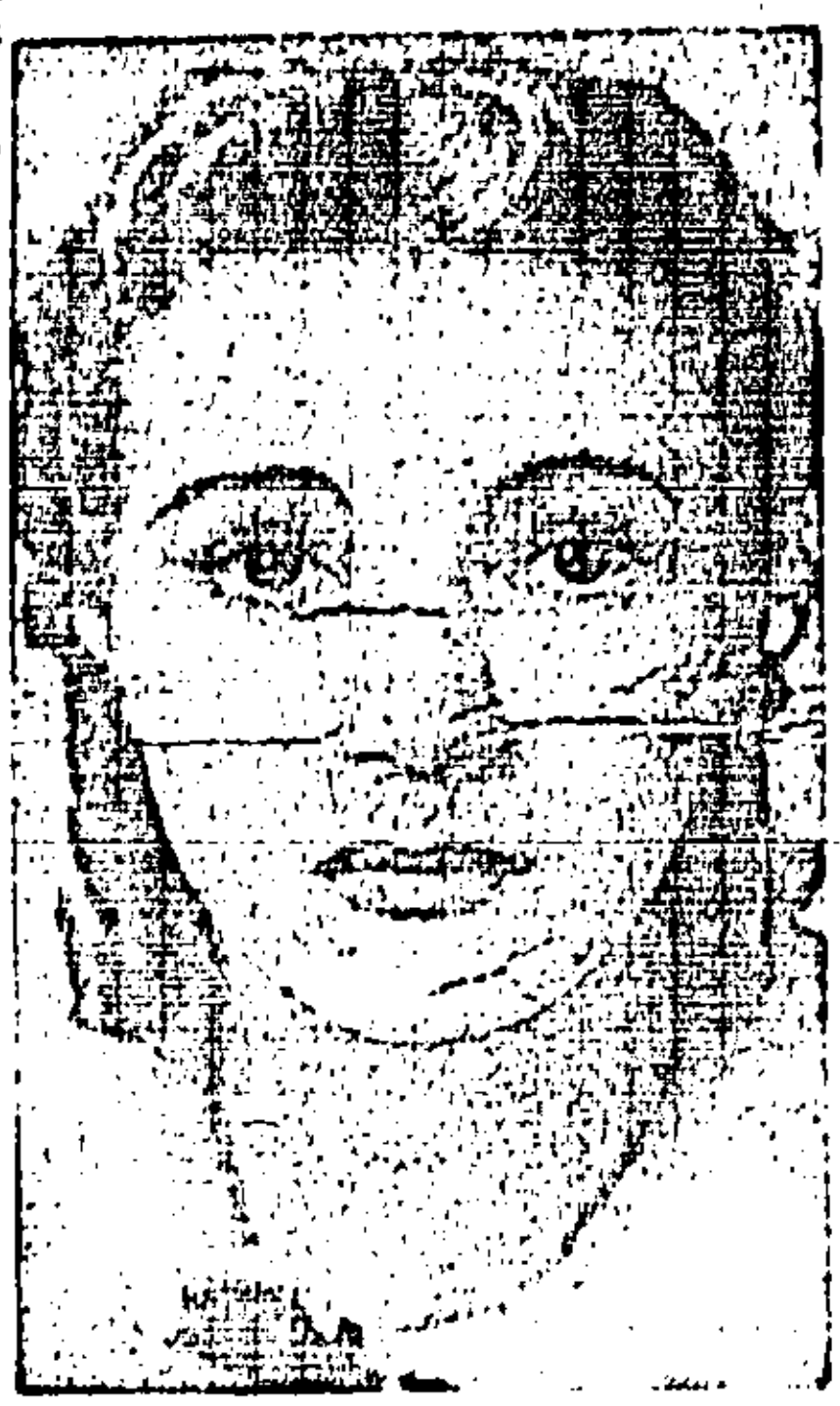
She married Jean Murat, the French actor, in 1934, but shortly afterwards divorced him.

Tyrone Power is making his first matrimonial leap.—United Press.

**TO VISIT AUSTRALIA**

Hollywood, Apr. 23.

Tyrone Power, who married the actress Annabella today, said later that he would visit Australia.—Reuter.



Annabella.

### Waterloo Road "Circus" Officially Acclaimed

THERE is little possibility, that Saunders Circus, the garden-filled islands at the intersection of Waterloo Road and Argyle Street, will be removed, despite recent representations by the Kowloon Residents' Association on the subject.

A traffic official informed the "Telegraph" that the circus had proved of very great value.

"The junction of Waterloo Road and Argyle Street was one of the Colony's greatest death traps before the circus was installed," the "Telegraph" was told.

"Since the installation of the islands, there has not been one fatality."

"The scheme, far from being abandoned, could be improved. It does not provide sufficient obstruction to speeding."

"Waterloo Road is an extremely fast motor highway, and we have several times noticed motorists speeding up to 60 m.p.h."

"Argyle Street is one of the busiest streets for pedestrian traffic. It provides pedestrian communication between Kowloon City and Yau-mat and Mongkok."

"When the Waterloo Road vehicular stream met the Argyle Street pedestrian stream death stalked in. We have had many fatal accidents at the intersection as a result."

"Even with the obstruction provided by Saunders Circus, motor traffic is still fast."

### BUENOS AIRES RIOTING Election Fever In Argentina

BUENOS AIRES, Apr. 23.

SERIOUS POLITICAL disturbances have broken out in the north-east province of San Juan, and have necessitated energetic action on the part of the Federal Government.

The ostensible cause of the unrest was the forthcoming election of the new Governor, which is due to take place at the end of April.

Violent disputes arose among the supporters of the various party groups.

A wild shooting affray suddenly burst out in the provincial capital of San Juan. The chief of the secret police was shot and wounded. Police later made over 100 arrests, among those taken into custody being a newspaper reporter.

**Restoring Peace**

In order to restore peace, the Minister for Internal Affairs sent the chief of the Fourth Division, placing under his orders all the military and police forces of the province.

To strengthen the armed forces there, more than 100 police officers and men from Buenos Aires, together with a detachment of emergency police have been sent to San Juan, equipped with tear gas bombs, and other special weapons.—Trans-Ocean.

### Hongkong—World's Most Vulnerable Target For Air Attack Claimed

NO place in the world offers a better target for air attack than Hongkong.

This opinion is expressed in the current issue of the Geographical Magazine by Mr. R. T. Barrett, former Editor of the Hongkong "Daily Press" and Night Editor of the "South China Morning Post."

In his article, Mr. Barrett claims that the Colony is only 380 miles from the Japanese military base in southern Formosa.

"The town is one of the most crowded and exposed in the world, with a population estimated at 1,000 to the acre," Mr. Barrett writes.

"One of the best anti-air-raid experts in England has been sent to Hongkong, and each week sees the preparations against attack go forward."

"The heavy forts, the land defences and the naval forces are adequate for a stout defence."

"While there are no capital ships east of Suez, and naval reinforcements might be a matter of nearly a fortnight, help in the air from Singapore could be expected in a day."

"Britain, during the last ten years, has seen the necessity of making Hongkong far more than either a fortress or a trading centre."

"China is in the midst of a social and political revolution, and the Colony has become a model for the material and even the spiritual reconstruction of China."

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## BRITAIN RUSHING 20 NEW DEFENCE SHIPS

LONDON, Apr. 24.

THE KEELS of 20 new 900-ton escort vessels of an entirely new type will be laid sometime in June, reports Mr. Hector C. Bywater, the "Daily Telegraph" naval correspondent.

As large as the pre-war destroyers, the vessels will be the fastest and most efficient of their class in any navy. All are due to join the home fleet this year; hence they will be equally as dangerous to hostile aircraft and submarines.

As evidence of the further speeding-up of the naval construction programme, Mr. Bywater also states that eight of the 16 destroyers authorised for this year have been ordered.

While the navy's primary need is for escort vessels and destroyers, steady progress is being made with the heavier construction. Warships built, being built, or projected entail a tonnage exceeding 950,000 tons. Sixteen cruisers and 30 destroyers of the older types are being taken in hand for conversion as anti-aircraft and anti-submarine escort ships.

Every month 80 new guns, mainly of the anti-aircraft type, are reaching the fleet, the production capacity of these weapons having increased 600 per cent. since 1930.

For the protection of merchant ships over 2,000 guns are stored in various ports ready to be mounted in an emergency. One thousand merchant ships will shortly be equipped to carry these guns through deck stiffening.

Mr. Bywater concluded by observing: "The navy is absolutely and relatively stronger than it has been since the Napoleonic Wars, barring the period of 1918 when it overshadowed the combined armadas of the world."—Reuter.

### A Look Through The "Telegraph"

**50 YEARS AGO**

Apr. 24, 1889.

TENDERS are required for CONSTRUCTING A BOAT SLIP AT R.N. DOCKYARD, Kowloon. Plans and specifications can be seen, and Bill of Materials and Form of Tender obtained, on application to the Officer in Charge of Works, Royal Engineer Office, Queen's Road, between the hours of 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. daily.

**THE PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY LIMITED.** THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the CITY HALL, on SATURDAY, C. MOONEY, Secretary (Pro. tem.).

**25 YEARS AGO**

Apr. 24, 1914.

Mr. Wong Kwong-choi, member of the Supreme Court, has reported to the police that last evening he saw the tiger at about 11.30 o'clock at the junction of Robinson and Park Roads.

Reuter's correspondent at St. Petersburg states that a semi-official statement repudiates an article in a Russian newspaper asserting that Russia has proposed the conversion of the Triple Entente into an Alliance.

**10 YEARS AGO**

Apr. 24, 1929.

Members of the Chinese Recreation Club were hosts on Friday evening to Mr. M. W. Lo, an old member of the Club, who is this year the holder of the Colony's open singles tennis championship. There were about thirty present at a Chinese dinner held in the Club pavilion and a convivial evening was spent. Mr. Lo was presented by the Club with a handsome silver cup, suitably inscribed.

**5 YEARS AGO**

Apr. 24, 1934.

A remarkable article will appear in the May issue of the Atlantic Monthly.

Mr. William Harland Hale will reveal that Kaiser Wilhelm II in the now famous "lost interview" which was given to Hale's father, William B. Hale, in 1900, Germany and the United States to fight the growth of Japanese power in Asia. The Kaiser deeply deplored Japan's defeat of Russia, and declared: "I wish my battalions could have had a chance at them."

"We would have made short work of Germany and Japan together... The particular duty that the white man owes to himself at this moment is to prevent Japan from swallowing China... It is no use to talk about Britain... England is a traitor to the white man's cause."

The interview which the Kaiser gave was regarded as extremely indiscreet. The German Foreign Office intervened before publication, first subjected it to a severe censoring, and later withdrew it.

### 81 British Warships In H.K.

Amazing Story By Japanese Paper

WE slapped the British naval spokesman in Hongkong on the hand this morning.

Well, he's been keeping a big, big secret.

We've just found it out from the "Nichi Nichi Shimbun," Tokyo's leading newspaper.

You see, according to "Nichi Nichi," there are 81 vessels of the British China Squadron now concentrated at Hongkong.

They include twelve heavy cruisers, an aircraft carrier, 14 destroyers, 17 submarines and "other vessels."

That's not all, either. They're going to be reinforced soon by five large warships and another aircraft carrier.

When we took the incriminating document to the naval spokesman this morning, we looked at him very searchingly.

"Where have you been hiding these twelve heavy cruisers?" we asked accusingly.

He tried to pass it off as a joke. But we know. They're skulking around the harbour somewhere. "Nichi Nichi" says so.

"Nichi Nichi" report from "Domei."

**Some More Japanese Discoveries**

TOKYO, Apr. 23.—The authorities of the French Concession in Shanghai are making secret preparations to augment their armed forces by enrolling white Russian volunteers, says "Nichi Nichi"—Domei.

**TOKYO, Apr. 24.**—Frantic air precautions are reported in Singapore, against a hypothetical Japanese drive southwards, says the "Japan Times."

The paper reports that sirens, sandbags and fire extinguishers have been installed in the main buildings by order of the Government. Each household is encouraged to have sandbags and a fire extinguisher ready for possible air raids.

Newspaper offices and radio stations have been placed into closer contact in order that they may be able to give alarm immediately in case of air attack.

As a final touch to their wartime preparations, the authorities will shortly promulgate a law for the control and distribution of food.—Domei.

**TOKYO, Every day since April 12.**—The Chinese counter-offensive has completely failed and the Chinese forces everywhere have been crushed with heavy loss of life.

### Assault Charge Adjourned

The charge of assaulting a police officer against H. Mueller, of Hankow Road, Kowloon, was adjourned for a further five days at the Central Court this morning.

In asking for the adjournment, the Police prosecutor said that the victim was still in hospital.

### Slovak Frontier Incident

BUDAPEST, Apr. 23.—The authorities here are investigating an incident which occurred at Hernadihany on the Slovak frontier to-day, when a Hungarian gendarme was killed and another seriously wounded allegedly by disguised members of the Hlinka Guard.—United Press.

### Appeal For Vaccine, Quinine

ICHANG, Apr. 24.

Military authorities on the north Kiangsi and Hunan fronts have issued an appeal for small-pox vaccine and quinine for their soldiers. With the advent of warm weather, precautions against the dread small-pox and malaria are urgently necessary.—Central News.

### Hankow Cinema Bomb Outrage

HANKOW, Apr. 23.

SEVERAL Chinese were killed or wounded as a result of a bomb thrown to-day in the Chinese theatre Hanyang, which was opened yesterday under the auspices of the Japanese.

A Russian musician was wounded in the leg and two Filipino musicians received minor scratch wounds. The foreign orchestra was engaged for the day only.—United Press.

### COLONY WATER STORAGE PROBLEM

AS A result of last week's rain and consequent increase in water storage, it is computed that only about 1/80th part of rainfall is collected by the Colony's reservoirs.

It is difficult to name a standard figure of intake from the Colony's rain as it must vary according to conditions prior to the downpour. Thus, if the ground is very dry, the intake is restricted, while if heavy rains follow several days of drizzle, the reservoirs will collect more, as fewer tons are absorbed by the earth.

Judging from last week's figures, which showed rainfall for six days of some ten inches, and a consequent increase in reservoir water storage of 630,000,000 gallons, something like 247,000,000 tons of the 250,000,000 tons which fell on the Colony were lost.

It was either absorbed by the ground, or drained away into the sea. A mere 3,000,000 tons (which is also a conservative figure) were collected by the Colony's reservoirs.

Further indication of the serious loss of precious water from Hongkong's rainfall is given by the fact that the total storage of the Colony's water on Friday last, which was 2,234,000,000 gallons (about 10,000,000 tons) represented only 1/25th of the rainfall which fell between April 15 and April 21.

### Chungking Takes More Precautions Protection Against Incendiary Bombs

CHUNGKING, April 23.

THE Evacuation and Reconstruction Commission of Chungking have decided to construct two additional fire lanes very soon as a means to prevent serious conflagration in the event of Japanese incendiary bombings.

The present fire lanes still under construction in the heart of the city cover a million yuan, and it is expected that the new ones will be quite as expensive.

The new lanes will criss-cross the city and divide the area into at least six sections which will enable the fire brigades to enclose any conflagration and reduce possible losses. Meanwhile, buildings are going on seriously in the outskirts of the city and nearby villages whence it is expected that a large part of the population, which has now swollen to 700,000 can be evacuated.—United Press.

**CHINESE RESTRICTIONS**

Chungking, Apr. 23.

The Chinese Government has announced restrictions on Chinese students wishing to go abroad for "advanced study in Europe and America."

The new restrictions permit only students specially assigned by the Government and who have substantial scholarships for foreign universities to go abroad.

The regulations are designed to synchronize with China's wartime and post-war needs for technical personnel with a supply of students scientifically trained abroad, and also to curtail the drain on China's foreign exchange reserve "which has to be devoted to more urgent matters than the maintenance of students in European and American schools."—United Press.

### German Reprisals

BERLIN, Apr. 23.

Three British business men have been expelled from Hamburg as a reprisal for the recent expulsion of German Secret Police agents from Britain.—United Press.

### Anti-German Riots

WARSAW, Apr. 23.—The Official German News Agency has renewed its reports of anti-German riots in Poland.

To-day's reports state that a Polish patriotic organization beat Germans and stoned their houses in the vicinity of Katowitz.—United Press.

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## Europe Gets Rid Of Her Gold To United States

WASHINGTON, April 23.

THE Federal Reserve Board to-day reports an unprecedented rush of European gold to the United States, which, including all bank funds, reached the record peak of \$4,000,000,000.

Theoretically this amount could form the base for credit expansion of \$32,000,000,000.

Officials say they see no danger of credit inflation because credit conditions have not been productive of any great demand for bank loans. However, they recalled that the Federal Reserve's 1938 report pointed to the need for adequate machinery which will probably be required through so much lendable cash being available.—United Press.

## Soviet Embassy Leaves Hankow

Hankow, Apr. 23.

Admiral Yamell's yacht, the U.S.S. Isabel, together with the U.S. gunboat Oahu left here for Shanghai at 8 o'clock this morning.

Among other civilian passengers, the ships carried the entire staff of the Soviet Embassy at Hankow consisting of ten Russians. Correspondents of the Soviet news agency Tass, also left with the Embassy staff.

Admiral Yamell, commanding the United States Asiatic squadron, who was aboard the Isabel, has been making an inspection trip on the Yangtze.—United Press.

## German Reprisals

BERLIN, Apr. 23.

Three British business men have been expelled from Hamburg as a reprisal for the recent expulsion of German Secret Police agents from Britain.—United Press.

## CONTINENTAL

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# ENGLAND WINS POOR INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY FINAL

## Danish Girl Improves On Own Record

Copenhagen, Apr. 23.  
Ragnhild Hveger, the famous Danish girl swimmer, established a 220 yards free style world record to-day when she covered the distance in 2 mins. 22.6 secs., beating her own previous record of 2 mins. 25.9 secs.—*Reuter*.

## S. China "A" Overwhelm The Navy

### Win Deciding Game By Four Goals

(By "Abe")

Until fairly late in the second half, the Royal Navy, despite being a goal in arrears, held their own in their deciding Football League match against South China "A" at Causeway Bay on Saturday. But in the last 20 minutes of the match they were over-run and were finally defeated by four goals to nil.

As a result of this victory, South China "A" thus won the League Championship, finishing the season three points ahead of the Navy and Eastern, who will have to play off to decide the runners-up position.

The ground was sodden and slippery, but despite the adverse conditions the game was very good indeed, especially in the first half when the exchanges were fairly even.

The Chinese won because they had the better-balanced team, and because they had in Fung King-cheung, who scored a "hat trick," the best forward in the field. Fung was at his best, distributing his passes well to both wings, and with Ip Pak-wai, formed a combination which proved far too good for the Navy defenders.

The Navy's greatest weakness lay in their forwards, who were unable to get going. The two wing-men, Armstrong and Moore, were hard-working, but neither was given the passes which they deserved; too often had they to go foraging for themselves.

#### MISSING CHANCES

Nevertheless had they taken their chances the Navy would not have been a goal behind at the interval. But they did not make use of them and the Chinese, thanks to a nicely placed header by Fung, crossed over a goal in the lead.

A word must be said in praise of Dickinson's work in goal. He showed uncanny anticipation and positioned himself for the many shots fired at him, and undoubtedly saved the Navy from a heavier defeat.

In the second half, after an even opening, the Chinese forwards got into their stride despite an injury to Lai Shiu-wing, and they scored three more goals without reply. By this time the Navy forwards were completely subdued, and the Chinese halves were thus able to take a hand in the attack.

The Chinese victory was well-earned indeed.

## OPPORTUNITIES ALLOWED TO GO BY IN PLENTY

(By "The Pilgrim")

England won the International Hockey Tournament by beating Portugal by two goals to nil in the final on the Club ground at King's Park yesterday evening. Actually England did not give an entirely satisfactory display as they should have won by a wider margin; but that they were deserving winners there was little doubt.

The game in the first half was a scrappy affair and if Portugal had taken their scoring opportunities they would have led by at least two goals. Pinto, Souza and Beltrao showed enterprise and dash, but were never able to make use of opportunities in front of goal. The English defence held out grimly in the first 15 minutes, Osman in goal being brilliant. He showed amazing anticipation and made many fine clearances.

Ten minutes later, the English forwards found their feet and S. A. Fowler, on the right wing, got away and, cutting through the Portuguese defence, scored a somewhat lucky goal. E. V. Alves completely misjudged the flight of the ball which slowly rolled out of his reach.

#### PLAY IMPROVES

Portugal took up the attack immediately after the resumption and within ten minutes forced four short corners, not one of which was turned to account. All were cleared without difficulty, though they gave the English defenders some anxious moments.

From then onwards the English defence never looked back; instead they dictated the exchanges. The ball was swung from wing to wing and England's attack made considerable progress towards Portugal's goal, but it was not until about 20 minutes had passed before G. H. Fowler ran through to score a clever goal.

Portugal rallied strongly but their forwards seldom got past the English halves. In the closing stages of the game, England's defence held firm and enabled their forwards to be constantly on the attack. E. V. Alves, in the Portuguese goal, however, made several splendid saves and prevented the Englishmen from scoring further.

#### THOSE WHO SHONE

Though Carter was not at his best, Bond, his partner, played a fine game, constantly breaking up the Portuguese attacks. Dillmot and Hook were the best halves, displaying renewed vigour in the second half. G. H. Fowler, Gemmel and S. A. Fowler were the best in the English attack, but it took them fully 35 minutes to work with usual speed and rhythm.

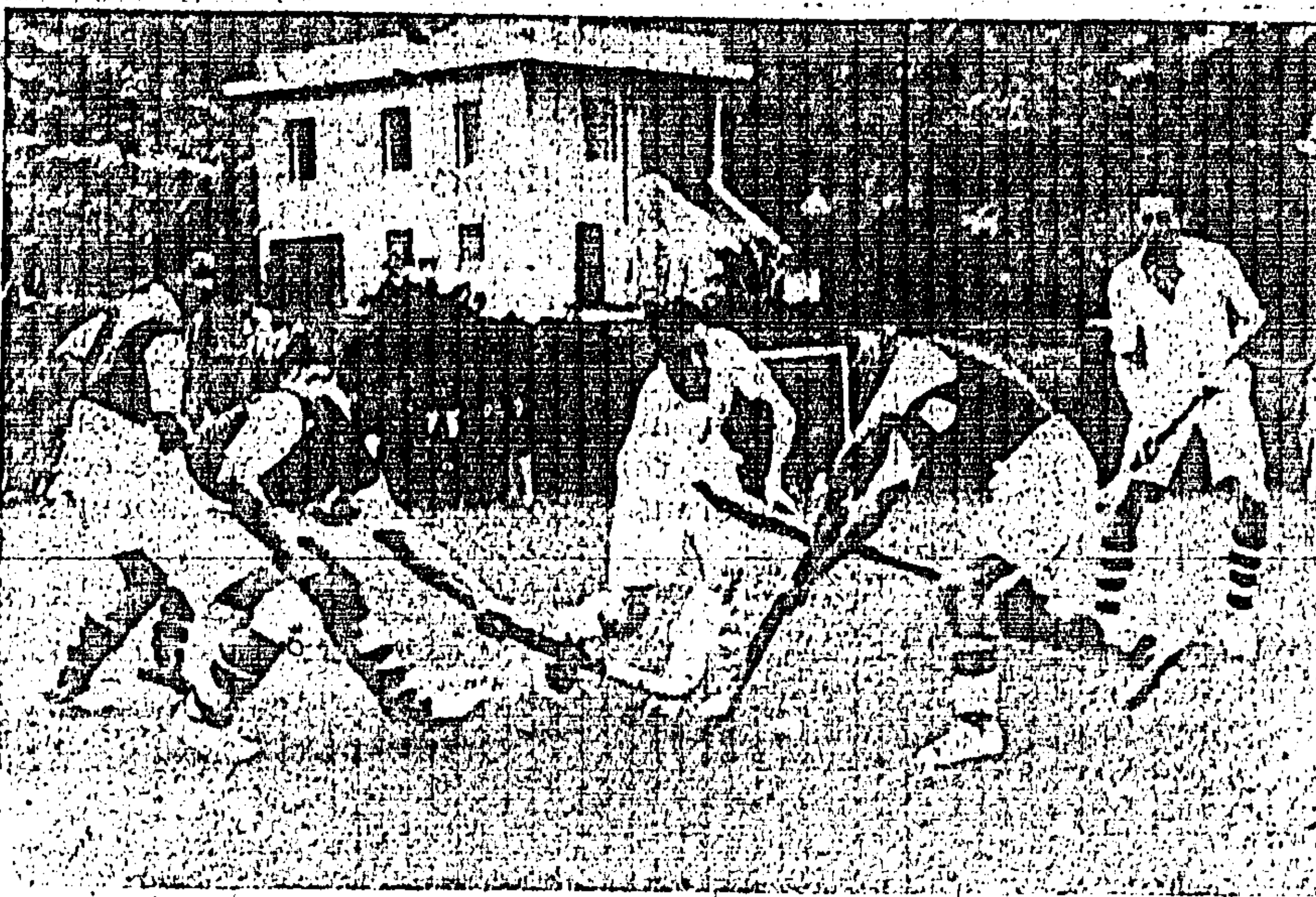
Portugal replied with a number of raids but their forwards were weak in shooting. A. P. Souza spotted several movements by being off-side. J. Gonsalves, at centre-half, and A. Xavier were gallant defenders, and had not Alves played so brilliantly in goal the score would have been much higher.

England had a better combination and a very capable defence, and though they were the better team on the whole and deserved their victory, it has to be admitted that this was the worst game of the 1939 series.

The match was very competently umpired by Lt. Pirie (Royal Scots).

and K. Hussain.  
England:—Pirle, Osman; V. C. Bond and L. B. Carter; Bdr. Dillmot, Lt. Hook and E. Fowler; S. A. Fowler, E. R. A. Gemmel, G. H. Fowler, Bdr. Marshall and A. E. P. Gust. Reserve, Pirle, Dunne.

Portugal:—E. V. Alves; R. Xavier and E. L. Gonsalves; R. A. Marques, J. B. Gonsalves and A. M. Alves; R. M. Silva, A. M. Rodrigues, J. M. Pato, N. A. Deltrao and A. P. Souza. Reserve, G. N. Gonsalves and P. Fonseca.



Gemmel, the English inside right, tackled by Portuguese defenders in the International hockey final at King's Park yesterday. Players (from left to right) are R. Marques, Dr. E. L. Gonsalves, Gemmel, R. Marques and G. H. Fowler. England won the encounter by two goals to nil.—*Staff Photographer*.

## Two 'Hat Tricks' Feature Football Exhibition Game

(By "Abe")

The South China "A", winners of both the Shield and League, wound up a wonderfully successful season yesterday by defeating the Hongkong Interport Selections by 4-3 at Caroline Hill in an exhibition game. Neither team was at full strength; still, there was no doubting the superiority of the Chinese.

In almost every respect, South China "A" was better than the Interporters who, without Beltrao, Courtney and several others, did not settle down until very late in the game. On the other hand, the Chinese, although Leung Wing-chiu, Lai Shiu-wing and Mak Siu-lon were missing, always played together as a team; there was co-ordination between the forwards themselves and between them and the half-backs and it was this latter co-operation which enabled the Chinese to appear so much better than the Interport XI.

For two thirds of the encounter, the Chinese were almost content to play in their own half, but when they did get near the Chinese goal, there was no single Interport forward who seemed likely to score except Lee Wai-tong and he was too well-marked to be really effective. Besides, he did not get the pass, which he usually thrives, and it was not until the second half that he was able to score. But when he did get his chances, he put the ball in the net three times. Unfortunately, however, South China "A" registered four times, and the Interporters finished the match on the losing end of a 4-3 total.

#### NEVER IN DANGER

Leading by 4-1 at one stage of the match, South China "A" were never in danger of defeat. Their defence was too sound for the methodless Interport attack. With Lee bottled up and Gonsalves off-colour, the other Interport forwards seemed all at sea. Consequently upon Gonsalves' poor form, Hau Ching-to, on the left wing, did not receive many good passes, while on the right Emberson and Leonard seldom understood one another.

Fung King-cheung, following his fine display in the deciding game against the Navy the previous day, turned in another splendid performance as leader of the South China attack, scoring three goals, thus making his total six for the weekend. Not a bad "hat"!

Lee Wai-tong's three goals were all registered in the second half, the first two being real "gems."

A strong wind throughout the match spoiled many passes and prevented the game from reaching the high standard which might have been expected with nearly all the leading players of the Colony participating. On the whole, the match was rather disappointing.

#### ALWAYS IN FRONT

The South China "A" led by a goal at half-time, as a result of Fung King-cheung's brilliant run and shot across the goal-line, and shortly after the resumption, the same player put the Caroline Hill side two up. Then Lee Wai-tong reduced the deficit in the very next minute of play, a perfect pass by Gonsalves giving Lee the chance to put in a characteristic drive from fully 30 yards out which beat Pau Ka-ping all the way.

South China went further ahead through Fung King-cheung's second goal, and in the closing minutes Lee scored a more.

## One Record Retained, Another Broken

Since playing together last season, Lee Wai-tong and Tam Kwan-kon had never been on a losing side until yesterday when a weak Interport XI, of which Lee and Tam were members were beaten by South China "A" in an exhibition game at Caroline Hill.

Lee, however, maintained his record of scoring in every match in which he has played this season. He registered a "hat trick" yesterday.

## Pace Tells On South China Team

### Many Players Develop Cramp In Closing Stages

A fast pace was maintained throughout the junior match at Caroline Hill yesterday when South China, champions of the Second Division, defeated the Rest by two goals to one. So fast indeed were the exchanges that in the last 15 minutes of play, no fewer than seven South China men developed cramp at one stage or another.

Seldom did a minute pass without a South China man limping or being carried off the field for attention. And once, after a hectic struggle near the Chinese goal-mouth, three members of the team were lying on the ground.

The Rest were unlucky to be beaten. They at least deserved a draw. They were attacking incessantly in the closing minutes, and did everything but score. Even a penalty was saved by Choo, the South China goal-keeper, who played a grand game.

The respective winners by Mrs. M. C. Lo, wife of the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Vice-President of the H.K.F.A. South China A:—Pau Ka-ping, Lee Tin-sang, Lee Kwok-wai, Leung Pak-wai, Lau Hing-chai, Kwok Yung-ki, Tang Kwong-sum, Ip Pak-wai, Fung King-cheung, Lee Yan-lung and Lau Taiman.

Interport XI:—Tam Kwan-kon, Yung-sang, Sheehan, Freshwater, Hui, Lam, Honnibally, Emberson, Leonard, Lee Wai-tong, A. V. Gonsalves and Hau Ching-to.

## Tsui Yun-pui Clashes With Ho Ka-lau

### Colony Tennis Championships

The remaining quarter-final match in the Colony Tennis singles championships, between Tsui Yun-pui and Ho Ka-lau, is down for decision to-day on the standcourt of the Hongkong Cricket Club.

Tsui, of course, has been considered almost a certainty for the final, but of late his form has not been unduly impressive and though he is generally expected to beat the veteran Ho, he may find himself fully extended unless he touches top form.

This is the only match in the "Open" championships to-day. The programme at the Hongkong C.C. is as follows:

Open Singles	
Tsui Yun-pui (stand court)	v. Ho Ka-lau
Club Championship	
J. J. Ferguson	v. W. Bander
Club Handicap	
A. T. Dow	v. E. E. Story
V. R. Gordon	v. C. P. Nicholson
H. D. Bidwell	v. L. Goldman
Mixed Doubles	
T. C. Monaghan and V. H. J. Armstrong and Miss J. Greig	v. Mrs. Andrews

## "Y" Tennis Courts Being Re-turfed

The Y.M.C.A. tennis courts are closed until further notice for re-turfing. They will probably not be ready for play until the end of May.

## PETER KANE WINS VERY EASILY

### But Sangchili Goes The Distance

London, April 4.

Peter Kane, world fly-weight champion, easily outpointed Baltasar Sangchili, a Spaniard who once held the world bantam-weight title, over ten rounds at the N.S.C., Earl's Court, last night, writes F. Butler.

Sangchili, a pocket-Tarzan standing 4ft. 11½ ins., was too tough for the world champion to knock out. His awkward bobbing and weaving made it difficult for Kane to connect anywhere but on his granite-like head and there you have an explanation of Kane's not too impressive display.

Peter won every round with ease, but he lacked the fire and terrific punching that made him famous when a blacksmith's "hand."

#### HALF PUNCHES

Peter explained this when he said "I did not dare to hit with my full power. That Kid from Spain has a head like a brick."

Sangchili, as a former world champion, disappointed. He showed toughness and courage, but his skill was limited.

The Spaniard was as delighted in defeat as Kane in victory. He turned in the air and gave a kind of Fascist Salute—he did not intend it that way—to the four corners of the ring. He even kissed Kane and shook his manager by the arm.

Sangchili had one great admirer at the ringside, his young wife. They were married recently in Paris. She is a French trapeze artist, as blond as he is dark.

I wondered if Kane's right-hand punching was affected by the

#### Polo

## SINGAPORE TEAM LOSE IN MANILA

Manila, Apr. 23.  
Opening their three-game series in Manila to-day, the 20th Royal Artillery polo team from Singapore lost to the U.S. Army's "Department Headquarters" squad by seven goals to two.

On Wednesday the Singaporeans will play Manila Polo Club "Calatagnans."—*United Press*.

The Royal Artillery players are the first team ever sent to Manila from Singapore. The squad is composed of Major Phillips, Capt. Nicoll, Capt. Mitchell and Major Paterson—all two-goal handicap players.

It has long been the desire of the Manila Polo Club to foster a series of games between the Club teams and those representing other clubs in the Orient. Fifteen or 20 years ago, interport matches were held between the Manila Polo Club and teams from Hongkong, and it is hoped that the present visit of the Singapore squad to Manila may be the beginning of an enlarged interport competition.

#### Softball

## China Beats Portugal in Final Game

China copped the International Softball Shield yesterday when they subdued Portugal 8 to 2 in a game that upset the dopesters. Portugal tallied first in the second stanza with a couple of markers, but were held scoreless thereafter behind the masterful pitching of Hill Woo, who only allowed the Rambling Recs four scattered bingles.

To make the day complete, the Chinese humbled the Filipino females 14 to 9 in a run-away Women's International game, featured by some heavy slugging by the victors. Shortstop May Chung and hurler Lily "Sunshine" Mar homered for the Chinese, while Chung and third sacker Ella Chinn tripped.

Fausta Dimanlig, diminutive slaban of the Philippines, shone for the losers with a triple and a single at two times up, and chasing in a couple of her mates.

#### Result

Softball scores over the week-end were:  
Finals of the International Series (men's): China 8, Portugal 2.  
Women's: China 14, Philippines 9.  
Inter-Hong: Socony 11, Lucas 9.  
(Ten innings), Chartered Bank 10, Dutch Bank 14.  
Junior League: Cornets 10, C.Y.M. 10; Tigers 14, St. John's 1.

amputation of his little finger. He denied this immediately. His large eyes seemed to grow larger as he said: "The only difference it has made is that I can now make bat easier." Peter certainly has a great sense of humour.

## What Is Wrong With Britain's Young Golf Professionals?

London, April 5.  
This is to be a season of paramount importance for the younger British golf professionals.

During it, we must find a team to send to the United States for the Ryder Cup match next November. And just now it seems as if that match will be a flop, says P. B. Lucas.

It is to be held in Florida. That in itself means that the "gate" will be a small one. Gene Sarazen, in fact, has it that the only spectators will be the seagulls, and Gene knows.

It is going to cost the P.G.A. £2,000 to send the British side over there. The whole trip will last seven weeks, and do you know how much our fellows will get for their tolls? £50 each!

But let us get back to the men who will represent us. I cannot recall a time when the outlook for professional golf was more unhealthy. Even during that long run of U.S. victories in our "Open" we could at least console ourselves with the thought that we had players who were "up and coming."

#### WHERE ARE THE MEN?

Where now are the men who are going to take the place of the Comptons and the Whitcombbs? There is this "young team" that we are supposed to be sending to the States in November? You cannot answer those questions, and neither can I.

The fellows who, for a year or two have looked like becoming great players have not fulfilled their promise; one or two of them have slipped back.

Take Alfred Padgham, Arinur Lacey, Bill Cox, Jimmy Adams, and the others. These men may win a tournament—two tournaments—with totals of 282, and, indeed, play brilliant golf to do it.

Twelve months later, however, you are just as likely to find them struggling to qualify for a place in the final stages of these very same tournaments.

#### ALWAYS THERE

You did not find that with the Mitchells, the Duncans, the Comptons, the Fred Robsons, and the Charles Whitcombbs in their day, they were always there or thereabouts.

You cannot say the same of the boys to-day. It is 68 one day and 80 the next—not the same old 72's, 73's, and 74's for week after week and month after month.

Why is it? Abe Mitchell tells it is because the men to-day play wrongly. They are always swinging the ball, he says, from right to left, instead of hitting it straight or slightly from left to right. Very likely this is correct.

Personally, I hold the view that it is because they do not go about the game in the right way (we are judging them on a tremendous high standard, remember). On that score I will tell you a story.

Cecil Denry, like several of the others, is striving for a place in the Ryder Cup team. As a result, he has cut out alcohol and cut down his smoking. He is training.

The day before the Bournemouth tournament started he went out to dinner with three of his fellow competitors. On the menu were oysters. Three of them ordered oysters, cham-

pagne, and a couple of glasses of stout.

Denry said he would have something else—and water—because he was training and all the rest of it. Having told this he said: "But, you know, I don't want to go and make myself unpopular with the others by appearing to take everything so seriously."

Bless me, it is inconceivable that a man should even contemplate such a thing simply because he is training for a game which is his life's business, which demands physical perfection.

#### TOO LAZY?

He ought to take it seriously, the more seriously the better. Yet that is the case with many of them. They are afraid to train—because they will think they are being too serious. Or perhaps they are just too lazy.

When Walter Hagen and Bob Jones had an early start in the morning of a tournament, they would play their rounds, then go back to their hotel in the afternoon and relax on their beds.

Last week I found our young fellows in similar circumstances, hanging about the clubhouse or out on the course watching their colleagues instead of resting.

Unless the younger professionals reorganised their outlook towards the game, we might as well discontinue the Ryder Cup. At present I can visualise our team being composed of all the same old names and no new ones.

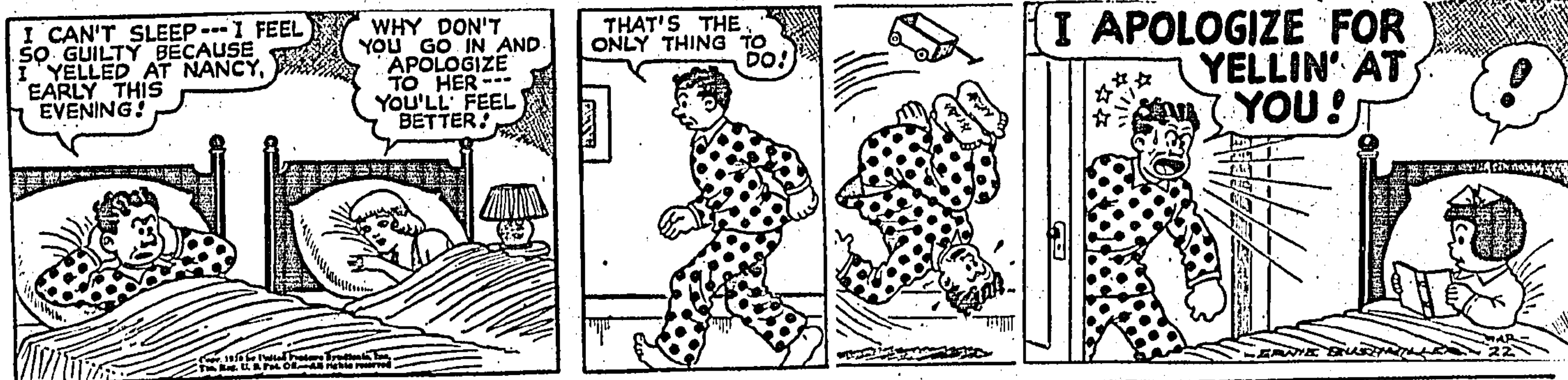
It will be a lamentable business if this does come to pass. And I believe it will. In which case the £2,000 might just as well be thrown into the Atlantic.



Pau Ka-ping, South China "A" goal-keeper, jumps out and punches clear off Gonsalves' head. An exciting incident in the exhibition soccer match at Caroline Hill yesterday when the League Champions defeated a weak Interport XI by four goals to three.—*Staff Photographer*.



# NANCY



## Man Who Made The Wolves What They Are

### Professional Football Player to a Major During World War

MAJ. FRANK BUCKLEY

**London.**  
The Wolves! There's a magic about that name nowadays—a magic that once belonged exclusively to the Arsenal.

It spells everything that is new and up to date in football: huge covered stands, changing rooms that might have been designed in Hollywood, revolutionary ideas in training, gland treatment, and, more important than anything else, a young, virile team right on the crest of the wave, writes Thomas Woodroffe.

Yet only a few years ago people were asking: "Who are these Wolves everybody's making such a fuss about?" Eleven years ago, Wolverhampton Wanderers were a struggling team in the Second Division and, if not bankrupt—well, not far off it.

The glory of Wolverhampton as a football centre seemed to have departed for ever, and the prospect of an eighteen-year unbroken membership of the First Division was like a dream.

Immediately after the war the Wolves had been lost for a season in the dim obscurity of the newly formed Northern Section of the Third Division—they'd got out of that quagmire, but they were still only struggling.

Then, in 1928, a burly, five-foot-eleven man in plus fours became manager—a brusque, keen-eyed man with a sharp, business-like manner. His name was Frank Buckley.

Now, after eleven years, Buckley has got the Wolves into the Cup Final. The overcast that greeted him on his first day in the Molineux ground office is a "credit" of nearly £100,000, there's no mortgage on the ground—bunk of that, no mortgage!—the gates average over 30,000 a match, and the Wolves are right back on the map.

£2,500 A YEAR

In four years Major Buckley had the Wolves back in the First Division, where they belong, and they have never looked back.

He hasn't done so badly for himself, either. Before the war he was a professional footballer with Derby County and Bradford City, earning three or four quid a week (salaries being much lower in those days).

Now he enjoys and fully earns a salary of £2,500. He has a life contract as manager of the Wolves, and his life has been insured for £10,000 by his club.

HE'S A SELLER

Looking back over the long history of Association football in England, there's only one man who has made such a mark—the first big spender.

the man who knew what he wanted and got it, the late Herbert Chapman, of Huddersfield Town and Arsenal.

Chapman believed in buying ready-made players—he gave £10,000 for David Jack. He paid out £29,000 odd for Alec James, and got his money back over and over again.

Frank Buckley only believes in huge transfer fees when he's at the receiving end. His method is to get players in the run—make them—and then sell—if it suits him. The Wolves' unrivalled financial position is largely due to transfer fees received.

Buckley, like Chapman, is ruthless and determined, but his methods are different. He believes in youth on the field, and, what's more, youth that has been taught and moulded to his own design.

Long years ago he decided that the only road to the top was the one of his own choosing. He would find his own players and find them young—no ready-made reputations for him. If any reputations were to be made, they would be made under his tutelage. He wanted two-footed players with the speed and stamina of Sydney Wooderson.

He made mistakes—who doesn't? But he went on until he got them right and now he'll watch the result of his labours at Wembley, on April 29.

HAD TO FIGHT

He has had to fight for his theories—and fight hard. He has had his failures, and knows what it feels like to have the mob parading in front of the stand and howling for his head on a charger.

On these occasions Buckley didn't bat an eyelid. He knew that his methods were right. He was going to turn this second-rate provincial team into a rival to the Arsenal. Let them howl. They'd be cheering one of these days. He was right. That same mob now parades in front of the stand cheering instead of howling.

LONDON BECKONS

He has produced the most prosperous club in the history of football in a town of only 133,000 population. Any manager will tell you that he (the manager, not Buckley) could work wonders with a wealthy London club—that's what they all think, anyhow.

It is that so, what could Buckley do in London? Bristol and Nottingham have populations three times as large as Wolverhampton, and yet they have quite undistinguished teams.

And it is possible that Buckley may find himself in London one day. He is ambitious and a man of action, and he can probably terminate his life contract at Wolverhampton if he wants to. If the offer were tempting enough—he might be the first £25,000-a-year manager—you can be pretty sure that Major Frank Buckley would come up and conquer the capital.

PRO. TO MAJOR

Frank Buckley, three-pounds-a-week professional footballer, gained the rank of major in the war.

He joined the Footballers' Battalion under Colonel Grantham, an old Indian cavalry officer. Buckley was a promising recruit, and finally became second in command of the battalion when Colonel H. T. Fenwick, D.S.O., took it to France.

It was in the Army that Buckley learned how to handle men, and in particular that rather knobby type of man, the professional footballer.

Colonel Grantham died a year or two ago at the age of 80, and he often said that footballers were difficult material to lick into shape as soldiers—but they made good soldiers.

He used to say of that great international centre forward, Vivian



Fred MacMurray—as a hard-boiled newspaperman—shows the romantic aspect of life on the other side of Fifth Avenue to lovely Madeline Carroll—the flower of the upper crust—in "Cafe Society." Paramount's gay satire on life among the Upper 400. The picture is being shown simultaneously at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres.

#### Golf

### PADGHAM WINS IN RE-PLAY

**London, Apr. 22.**  
Alfred Padgham, of Sunningdale Park, won the Silver King Golf Tournament re-play at Moorpark today, R. Burton, of Sale, retiring at the 33rd hole when Padgham was nine strokes ahead.

Padgham led by seven strokes at the end of the morning round, the respective scores for which were 74 and 81.

Padgham and Burton had tied with an aggregate of 285.

T. Collinge, of Swinton Park, and C. S. Denny, of Thorpe Hall, were joint third with 286 each.

Reginald Whitcombe, the "Open" champion aggregated 288, and Henry Cotton, the Ryder Cup captain, totalled 290.—*Reuter.*

Woodward, that he just hated drill and above all, polishing buttons.

But Woodward became the champion Mills bomb-thrower in the battalion, and soon no one would go near him, his fair share of his pockets full of bombs.

Three other present-day managers were in that famous battalion—Jack Tresadern, of Plymouth Argyle, Angus Seed, manager of the victoriously Burnley, and Charlie Bell, of Bournemouth, who was Buckley's batman.

WELL HATED

"Frank Buckley is a complex character and for that reason he's well loved and well hated."

He has his fair share of guile—he couldn't be a football manager if he hadn't. He is ambitious and tough, but there's a streak of kindness in the man.

As an ex-second in command of a battalion in war time, he is a strict disciplinarian. He won't have players and are entitled to a fair dividend if they behave loyally and give of their best.

As an ex-second in command of a battalion in war time, he is a strict disciplinarian. He won't have players and are entitled to a fair dividend if they behave loyally and give of their best.

Above all, he is fair and his players know they'll get a square deal from him. For instance, he never leaves a player up in the air without summer wages.

If a player he does not want to retain is good enough and commands a fee, he is transferred during the

#### LOCAL YACHTING

### Corinthian Cruisers Race Won By Norena

Norena won the Corinthian Cruisers race held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday in which two out of three competitors finished the course. Details: Finished Corrid Pos.

Norena ..... 13.55.00 14.10.30 1  
(J. E. Potter)  
Azuma ..... 14.22.40 14.18.41 2  
(E. B. Lambert)  
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season. If he is not transferred by the end of the season the player is placed on the retained list and gets his summer money.

Buckley will always find a man a fresh start. He expects perfect physical fitness and likes players who are anxious to get on and better themselves.

Buckley really hit the front pages when he took up gland treatment. Then he introduced two sixteen-year-old boys in the League eleven at the same time—the first manager ever to do so.

It was he who first suggested numbering players—an idea he borrowed from the Rugby League. He's always advocated having old players as referees—much as you have old players as first-class umpires in cricket.

MISERABLE

If it's a close game at Wembley there'll be two very miserable-looking gentlemen sneaking away to the back of the stand unable to stand the strain of watching.

One will be a big, bluff man with a keen eye; the other a smallish, happy, neat little man wearing spats. One will be Frank Buckley, and the other Jack Tinn, the Portsmouth manager.

If the Wolves win that Cup after 31 years it will be due practically entirely to the character, ability and theories of Frank Buckley.

WIFE HELPS

Frank Buckley owes a lot to his charming wife, a student of psychology, who helps him to give individual attention to his players. Her advice has played a big part in the mental speeding-up which is so noticeable about these young Wolves.

Buckley and his wife are a happy pair. Their favourite hobby is dog-breeding and they have won many prizes with their Welsh terriers and black retrievers.

Buckley will go down in history as the man who found his footballers in the by-ways and set them on the by-pass to fame.

### MIDDLESEX DEFEATED AT MACAO

Clean Soccer Game At The Canidrome

**Macao, Apr. 23.**  
In the soccer encounter between the Middlesex Regiment and the Macao eleven at the Canidrome enclosure this afternoon, the local team beat the visitors by three goals to nil after a hard struggle. The match was extremely clean from start to finish and was enjoyed immensely by the large crowd.

The strenuous efforts of the Middlesex forwards tested the Macao defence to the utmost and the excellent work of Chiang, right-back, received well-deserved applause. Alosa was alert at centre-half and combined with Cordova to feed the Macao right wing so that Rego was a constant danger to the Middlesex defence. Rego was always a fast worker beating Cooper on several occasions but seldom trying a shot at goal.

Drake was dependable in the Middlesex goal and the match was so evenly contested during the first period that the goal from a header by Guerreiro a minute from the interval came as a surprise.

Upon resumption, Bright was seen to advantage and with Whitehouse and Wilkinson, deprived Collice and Guerreiro of many opportunities. Excitement ran high as a splendid shot by Pearson slipped from Carvalho's hands and the ball came to a dead halt a foot from the Macao goal. Assis was responsible for the second goal following a neat pass and Lopes registered the third.

Teams: Middlesex.—Drake; Thompson, Cooper; Whitehouse, Bright, Wilkinson; Mogridge, R. Thomas, Pearson, Saw, C. Thomas.  
Macao.—Carvalho; Chiang Sheung-ching, Lobato, Cordova, Alosa, Mito Sousa; Rego, Collice, Guerreiro, Assis, Lopes.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

#### Baseball

### NEW YORK OUTFITS SUCCEED

Full Programme For First Time

**New York, Apr. 23.**  
For the first time since the current baseball season commenced, a full programme of matches was played in the Major League to-day, four games being decided in each division. The following were the results:

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Boston .....	2	7	2
New York .....	4	12	1
Pittsburgh .....	2	6	0
Cincinnati .....	7	12	2

(Brubaker homered for the Pirates and Berger for the Reds).

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn .....	4	11	4
Philadelphia .....	5	7	1
Chicago .....	6	10	3
St. Louis .....	5	8	3

(Lazzeri and Camilli homered for the Dodgers).

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Chicago .....	6	10	3
St. Louis .....	5	8	3

(Marty homered for the Cubs and Medwick and Mize for the Cardinals).

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
New York .....	7	12	0
Washington .....	4	9	2

(Gordon homered for the Yankees).

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia .....	12	11	2
Boston .....	8	12	1

(Rowe pitched for the Tigers).

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis .....	4	9	1
Chicago .....	17	19	2

(Hoag homered for the Browns, and Walker, McVair and Kreech for the White Sox).—*Reuter.*



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### OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"The Sisters" (King's, to-day).—This really should be called "The Wife," for although it touches briefly on the marital progress of two sisters, this sentimental melodrama concentrates on the third. She marries a drunken newspaper reporter and then suffers with fine restraint through the whole catalogue of domestic tragedies. In this role, Bette Davis is given the opportunity for good acting, while Errol Flynn is the drunken reporter. Anita Louise, Ian Hunter, Dick Foran, Debra Bond and Donald Crisp are others in the cast.

"Café Society" (Queen's and Alhambra, to-day).—Though this yarn about a spoiled heiress and the reporter who she marries to win a bet, expecting an immediate divorce, has an artificial taste about it, the treatment is good and the film is quite entertaining. With the aid of her grandfather, the young man manages to straighten her out, though some of his own actions are not above criticism. Madeline Carroll is the lovely heiress and Fred MacMurray the reporter. Shirley Ross and others give good support.

"Holidaze" (Majestic, to-day).—Excellent new film treatment of the Barry play which argues that money isn't everything. There seems to be a trend towards this type of plot these days. Cary Grant decides to be a moderate wealthy and a right to decide his own life pattern are worth more than millions, yachts, and a town house with an elevator. He gets his freedom and also Katharine Hepburn, offbeat daughter of the wealthy household. Direction, screen play and acting are splendid throughout. Doris Nolan, Lew Ayres, Edward Everett Horton and Blinnie Barnes are the principal supporting players.

"The Great Wall" (Cathay,

### SPORT ADVTS THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fourth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 6th May, 1939 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; The Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club, and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 27th April, 1939. By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

(to-day).—A bit too elephantine for three-quarters of the time, Julian Davison has managed to slip in a few of his characteristically brilliant directorial flourishes, but they are mostly overwhelmed by lavish appearances. Still the music compensates for much.

### MGM PICTURES AMONGST THE CHAMPIONS

The local offices of MGM have been informed that the six Box-office champions for the month of February in the United States included two Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer productions. They were "Idiot's Delight" and "Pygmalion," the latter an adaptation of George Bernard Shaw's play. Both of these productions are due for release in Hongkong in the near future.

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If you are blessed with generous cupboard room, and an elastic allowance, so much the better for you. Remember, too, there is every prospect of finding afternoon tea and towel necessities among your wedding gifts, so leave some of these purchases to the very last.

THE life of your linen depends on regular rotational use and temperature-tuned storage. Be sure to watch your stocks and replenish ranks at the first sign of wear. The more items allowed to each set the less they come into action, so their span is proportionately lengthened.

Linen in reserve allows for over-looking and mending, and this is wise for hard-worked sheets and pillowslips. These fibres need rest and recuperation as much as our garments do.

For bed linen and towels there is wide variety in colour and weave. Coloured sheets are easier for home laundering, and there is greater scope for harmonising with predominant notes of a scheme. Linen is traditional for hard wear, but "union" mixtures, or Egyptian cotton, make popular sheets. These are warmer in use, cheaper to buy and they take the soft pastel tints which are so fashionable just now.

Test for durability lies in the weave, so hold up a corner to the light and watch the way of the threads. Close, even criss-crossing indicates firm texture, with every prospect of it keeping shape after repeated wear and washings. Pre-washed or pre-shrunk material is helpful to buy and you should look for guarantees and quality test labels.

Weight gives very little index to actual quality because sizing, china clay and other dressings are introduced into some cheaper materials to patch up on poorer weaves. After laundering these fabrics appear impoverished and fuzzy with exposed and frayed threads. If you are doubtful rub a sample between your finger and thumb over some dark surface and you will soon see if fine powder falls beneath.

ALWAYS buy bed linen to suit your bed measures, as nothing is so comfortable as a scrimped tuck-in allowance. Watch decorations and finish, too. Hem stitching is attractive but weakening to fabric, so cord stitching replaces it to a large extent. If you are set on drawn threads, choose the sheets of generous length, to allow for renovations later. This way you can have fresh hems put-in for you when the time comes.

Take exact dimensions of pillows for well-fitting slips. Too tight a fit is hard and uncomfortable, while too large a case is fretful and untidy. By the way, extra pillows are a wise investment for emergency use, and many people have them instead of bolsters. Thus all top and under-cases are of standard size. Linen is refreshing for pillow slips, so remember to include at least a few for the warmer weather.

Linen excels for towels, and there are several weaves from which to choose. Plain patterns are best for consistent hard wear, as there is impact support when threads intersect. Evenly frequent dampening means greater strain for the fibres, so this is quite important.

LINEN storage needs careful planning. You need an even dry temperature, with good ventilation, and there must be freedom from steam or dampness, as this causes mildew.

Contrary to modern house design the bathroom is not the best location for the linen chest, nor is too close proximity to hot-water pipes, as this brings speedy yellowing. There is a lot to be said for a built-in press with slatted wooden shelves, and provision for occasional airing. Low consumption gas or electric heaters are excellent for cupboard conditioning, and many of these screw down to the floor as permanent equipment.

Line up the shelves with cut-down disused damask, old sheeting, or a cheap glazed holland. Decorate edges with gay, bold proof binding, and leave deep flap fronts to fold back on the finished piles. Each section holds together when tied with deep linen bands, colour bound to match. This way you are sure of rotation in wear.

Mark everything in a definite position, such as the top left corner, or for sheets—the bottom hem. An inventory helps for checking laundry returns, tracing lost articles, or for keeping useful records of the life of your linen. A ruled-off exercise book answers the purpose, while a single sheet list makes easy reference from the back of the door.

If linen is being stored for any long period, stow away free of starch or dressing wrapped in blue tissue paper to keep it snowy and fresh. While valuably protective for daily use, starch tends to yellow stored linen, and sometimes starts rotting in the fibres.

Blankets are another problem, as they not only need dry storage, but



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### What to Buy

THREE of everything is a good rule for household linen, and this allows one in use, one in the wash, and a spare one for emergency. Of course, the more you can allow the better things will last, as it levels up on wear.

#### BEDROOM LINEN

Three pairs of sheets to each bed—good length for tuck-in. Three pillowslips to each pillow. Two under-slips to each pillow. Two bolster-cases or two under pillow-cases.

#### BLANKETS

Three for each bed. Under blankets—one to each bed. (When elder-downs are used two good fleecy blankets are often sufficient.) Mattress covers to requirements. Spring mattress pads or protectors.

#### TOWELS

Three bath-towels per person—Turkish or Terry towelling. Six face-towels per person (huckaback is excellent wearing; linen damask or linen diaper for fine face-towels). Bath sheets if required. Towel bath-mats—two to three. Small guest-towels—one dozen. Lavatory cloths—six. Small razor-towels—four to six. (These save accidents with larger towels.)

#### TABLE LINEN

Fashions vary a good deal in this section, but it is best to allow three sets for each kind of table setting. Three breakfast-sets. Three luncheon-damask or artificial silk table-cloths, with table napkins to match. (Three per person or half a dozen to match each cloth.) Afternoon tea-sets, with small knee napkins. Six tray-cloths or trolley-cloths. For a highly set heat-proof table-mats.

#### KITCHEN TOWELS

These are usually "typed" and distinguishable by woven descriptions. (Always choose linen material for glassware and tea-towels, as other materials "fluff" badly and wear thin.) Six glass-cloths. One dozen kitchen cloths. One dozen check dusters. One dozen soft polishing dusters. Dust-sheets as required. Three oven-cloths. Six unbleached pudding-cloths. Three roller-towels. One dozen netted dish-cloths.

practical protection from moth. Tin-lined chests are good for summer use, as well as precautionary spraying with insecticide and close vapour linings of moth-proof paper.

When you buy blankets, remember weight means nothing in warmth. Neither does high thread count. Loosely woven fabric can be deceptively fluffed to look generous and inviting. Look at the weave against the light and see that it is firm and close. All-wool, pre-shrunk blankets make things simpler all round, and they sometimes sell them moth-proofed, too.

WHILE on bed linen—how done our bit for bedding by a daily turn and air of the mattress? We assiduously spring-clean bed frames and fittings, but sometimes forget the inner workings of the mattress. This is not enough for the Continental housewife, who keenly supervises her visiting upholsterer at his annual spring-clean visit.

Always choose the best in bedding you can rightly afford. After all, we spend one-third of our lives in bed, so it's worth while to make sure of lasting comfort.

Daily sunning and fresh air spell rejuvenation for mattresses and pillows. When the softer weather comes along draw them to a sunny open window for an hour or more. Apart from freshening the filling, it puts new pep into hair interiors, and gives them fresh zest and spring.

### "DOWN UNDER" TO BE LINKED

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### Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Diplomacy  
2—Walked in water  
3—Full of musical place  
4—Mohammedan poet  
5—To one side  
6—Place  
7—At matured stage  
8—Ancient nitrating  
9—Clever-beetle  
10—Lovers who soda-water  
11—Prophetic sleep  
12—Became liable to  
13—Part of head  
14—Measure of weight  
15—Very cool (postfix)  
16—Christmas song  
17—Throw snow-ball  
18—Lives alone  
19—Hail  
20—South American silviculture  
21—Variety of pigeon  
22—Tail tree  
23—Gum derived from tree  
24—Decades  
25—Barren place  
26—African antelope  
27—Boat through piano  
28—Swallowing  
29—Foot player  
30—Roasting dart  
31—Decides  
32—Bat on elevated  
33—Above  
34—Change  
35—Heater (colloquial)

DOWN

1—Hold of generation  
2—Mohammedan corner  
3—Type of garment  
4—Throbbing sound  
5—Unusual matter  
6—Rising  
7—Discovers (anagrams)  
8—Cliff's name  
9—Discs of them acting  
10—Purified  
11—Top-drying wire  
12—Provide, with dinner  
13—Shut; fruit drizzle  
14—Unit of  
15—Carpet  
16—Comforter  
17—Escape  
18—Capitular objection  
19—Discs of action  
20—And not  
21—Provide with  
22—Hanging by use  
23—Main hollow in  
24—Ball  
25—Sleeping couch  
26—Part of railroad  
27—Main  
28—Spanish title of  
29—Racket  
30—Laid  
31—Discarded shell  
32—Disc  
33—Victor's man  
34—Floor and snapper  
35—Widened  
36—Smooth breathing  
37—Old palm column  
38—Scrapped ditch  
39—Wine  
40—College official  
41—Measure of capacity

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### Social Items

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At the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Peking, recently, Mr. William Miller, of the Barefoot Office, and Miss Dorothy Carrier, the younger daughter of Mrs. A. C. Carrier, were joined in holy matrimony.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Yan Hoi-poon, barrister-at-law, to Miss Pui Chee-kwok, of 99 Robinson Road; Mr. George Loy, broker, to Miss Isabel Chan, of 27 Kent Road, Kowloon; and Mr. Lau Pui-fan, factory manager, to Miss Lau Lou-yu, of 46 Tai Po Road, Shamshuipo.

### YENCHING ALUMNI

Local Body Entertains Visiting Professor

The Yenching University Alumni Association in Hongkong met yesterday evening at the Y.W.C.A. to entertain Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, President of the Yenching University. Dr. Stuart came to Hongkong from Peking to attend the joint conference of the Christian Universities in China and the annual meeting of the China Foundation for the Promotion of Education and Culture, both of which have just been concluded.

More than 80 men and women alumni, including Professor Tsu Yi-shan of Hongkong University, were present. Dr. Stuart reported on the latest conditions of Yenching University at the party. The eminent educator will stay in Hongkong for a few days more, after which he will leave for Chungking via Haiphong and Kunming.—Central News.

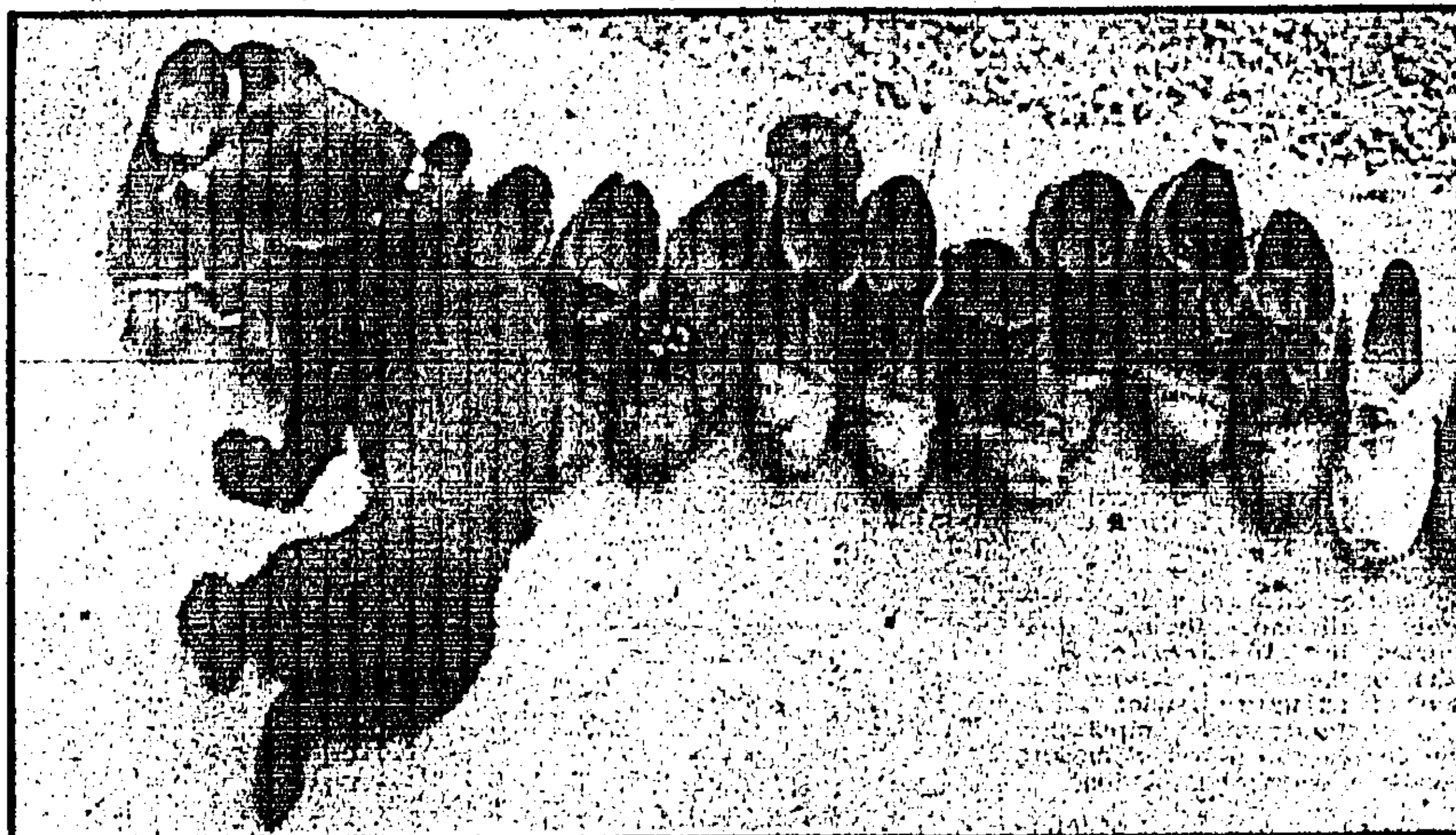
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H. P. V. Massey, diminutive cox of the Oxford crew, finds his duties interfere with his golfing, so he consoles himself (above, right) by practising chip shots from a table top into a wastepaper basket.

Owners of the shoe above are on the water in the Cambridge boat. The dog ensures that their shoes are still available when they return to dry land.

The other Boat Race took place recently, when Oxford and Cambridge women's University crews met at Oxford. Left: Miss E. Bond, the Oxford cox, studies the rule book before her crew start on a practice spin on the Isis.



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## Interference To Reception Of Daventry

DURING recent months, the causes of certain types of interference on frequencies used by Daventry have aroused some speculation among listeners and in the Press. This article, specially prepared for the use of the Overseas Press by the Engineering Division of the BBC, deals with this subject, and describes some of the many types of interference that may affect short-wave services.

THE BBC IS VITALLY INTERESTED in the question of securing clear channels for the Empire Service, and maintaining a constant watch at its receiving station at Tatsfield, Kent, on all the Daventry frequencies. As a result of this work, it can be said that no cases of deliberate interference to Daventry have been observed.

That interference to one or other of the frequencies used by Daventry does occur from time to time is admitted, but, in view of the vast number of stations, both broadcasting and commercial, operating on wavelengths below 80 metres, a certain amount of trouble is almost inevitable.

Interference occurs, for example, when adjacent stations attempt to work too close together—i.e., with less than a ten kilocycles per second separation between their respective frequencies. This point, however, is appreciated by most broadcasting authorities, and it is hoped that this essential 10 kc/s separation between adjacent channels can be maintained in the future.

Probably the most common cause of interference is the incorrect operation of the transmitter causing the interference, and the trouble can take two forms: (a) the radiation of strong harmonics, and (b) the operation of the transmitter on a frequency other than its correct or notified frequency. Interference from either of these causes is generally observed by the Tatsfield station, and representations were then made by the BBC to the authority concerned. On practically all occasions a cure is effected.

### A RECENT CURE

Listeners may have noticed that serious Morse interference to GSI, 15.20 Mc/s, in Transmission 1 has been cured. This interference was due to a commercial transmitter, actually working on its correct frequency of 7.03 Mc/s, radiating a strong second harmonic on 15.26 Mc/s. The station was identified, and after representations to the authorities concerned, alterations were made at the transmitter that suppressed the trouble.

The interference caused by stations working on frequencies other than their notified ones is rather more common. With the technical developments in transmitter design, however, a general reduction in this type of interference can be expected.

Another type of interference has also been observed in which, although the interference is mainly experienced by the station on the channel adjoining one of the Daventry frequencies, some interference, owing to the type of modulation used, is also caused to the Daventry frequency in question. It is rather difficult to deal with interference of this type, but, fortunately, as far as the Empire Service is concerned, serious examples are very few.

It must be remembered, however, that it is possible for the receiving set used to be the cause of what appears to be interference. A receiver in which the "image signal rejection" is insufficient will allow a commercial station, working on its correct frequency—often widely different from the broadcasting station frequency—to cause severe interference to the broadcasting station. A more detailed explanation of this point is given in the pamphlet "Receiving the Empire Stations", a copy of which will be sent, post free, to any listener who applies to the BBC.

Another type of interference for which the receiver is primarily to blame is caused by insufficient adjacent-channel selectivity—the set being incapable of receiving the wanted station clear of stations immediately adjacent, though their frequencies are 10 kc/s different from that of the wanted station. This question of adjacent-channel selectivity is assuming more importance with the increase in power of modern short-wave broadcasting stations.

Reports dealing with cases of interference to Daventry are greatly valued by the BBC, especially if any identifying clue—such as the call sign of the offending station—can be given.

## I.R.A. Threat To Britain

A statement by the "Army Council" of the I.R.A. which was read in Dublin recently, stated that activities of the "expeditionary force" in Britain had been carried through with a degree of success.

Those activities did not involve loss of life, but the decision to avoid this was a conditional provision. It Britain had recourse to any extraordinary measures in future, that decision by the I.R.A. might be revoked.

The statement also called for the abolition of partition in Ireland, and absolute separation from England. It added that recognition of the separate nationality of Scotland and Wales had already been accorded by the I.R.A., and therefore activities by the I.R.A. were being confined to England.

This statement was read at an I.R.A. parade to commemorate the 1916 Easter rising in Dublin. The parade was closely watched by the police, but there were no incidents.

Mr. de Valera, Prime Minister, and some of his Ministers also marched with former comrades in arms recently in a Government parade, and laid a wreath on the graves of executed leaders at Arbour Hill. Valleys were fired and the "Last Post" was sounded.

A third procession was made up of units of the old I.R.A., which laid wreaths on the memorial in the Post Office in O'Connell-street where the rising broke out. Here the Republican proclamation of 1916 was read. A statement from the national executive of the old Government, although it criticises the present-day I.R.A., said that Ireland should preserve neutrality in any European war.

Such a course would, however, be made more difficult by the continuance of relations with Britain. It was imperative that the Government should re-establish the Irish Republic and demand the withdrawal of British forces and subsidies from Northern Ireland.

Following the re-establishment of the Republic, the statement added, "immediate steps should be taken to build up the largest possible military force with a view to the recovery of our national territory."

## Cinema Goes By Sledge

DOGS are taking the cinema to inhabitants of Yakutia, in the Soviet's Asiatic territories, some of whom have never seen a film before. Citizen Kondrakov, a Soviet cinema mechanic, has just completed a 1,050 miles journey with a mobile cinema on sledges pulled by teams of dogs. He stopped at winter settlements and set up his apparatus in log cabins.

## Society 210 Years Old

PHILADELPHIA The Welsh Society of Philadelphia has celebrated its 210th anniversary. It is accredited as the oldest social and benevolent organization in the United States.

## LATE NEWS

## Man Sentenced To Death

SENTENCE OF death was passed on Wong Kam-wan this afternoon for the murder of Wong Chung.

The Jury in the case, which became known as the Border Murder Case, retired for only five minutes. "It is no good saying any more," accused said, when asked if he had anything to say before sentence of death was passed.

After he was sentenced to hang, however, he made an emotional plea from the dock and was led, struggling, to the waiting prison van, still protesting that he had killed in self-protection.

## Relaxation Of Tension

PARIS, Apr. 24.—The news that Sir Neville Henderson has returned to his post in Berlin has made a most profound impression in French political circles, and is regarded as confirmation of the increasing relaxation of international tension. Whether the French Ambassador, M. Robert Coulondre, will now return to Berlin is difficult to ascertain. —Trans-Ocean.

## Sweden Says "No"

STOCKHOLM, Apr. 24.—The Swedish Foreign Minister has replied in the negative to the German inquiry whether Sweden has felt menaced by Germany. —Trans-Ocean.

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The following Cabaret Show has been arranged: Miss Daisy O'Keefe's Pupils in the Blue Danube Waltz; Miss Gloria Yeo and Thomas Lee, the winners of the Hongkong Ball Room Championship for 1939; Mrs. Percy Chen in the famous Mei Lan Fong Sword Dance; Miss Aileen Reynolds in a Ballet Dance; Miss Eva Turner—Soloist and Colleen Ng Quinn—Crooner.

The souvenir programme is both attractive and instructive. Tickets are \$5 (including Dinner). Please book tables early, either at the Hongkong Hotel, or through the St. John Ambulance Headquarters.

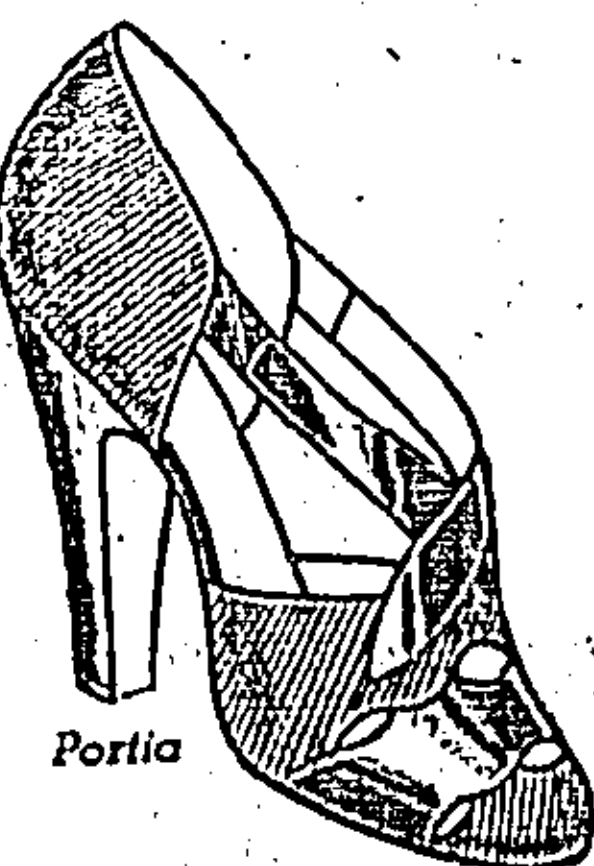
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The following table of fees charged under the British Nationality and Status of Aliens Ordinance is now in force:

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